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4 killed as police foil bank robbery

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POLICE in Apapa, Lagos yesterday killed four armed robbery suspects who attempted to rob a new generation bank (nameswithheld) in the area.

Yesterday's killing came barely 24 hours after robber killed two kids and six other persons in separate operations in the state.

Daily Champion gathered that the robbers attempted to gain entry into the bank, located at Warehouse road Apapa, before the policemen confronted them, killing four, while others escaped with bullet wounds

Eyewitness said the robbers, numbering over 10 stormed the bank about 8am and took control of strategic entrances and exits around the place.

Our source who pleaded for anonymity said the robbers invaded the bank in two posh cars and overpowered the security personnel attached to it.

He disclosed that the robbers blocked the road and held bank staff hostage before the policemen moved to the scene.

He said policemen from the anti-robbery squad, (SARS) of Apapa led by the Divisional Police Officer (DPO), Mr. Ari Mohammed stormed the bank and challenged the robbers.

Reacting to the incident, Police spokesman, Mr. Frank Mba, said the robbers met their waterloo while attempting to escape.

He hailed the policemen who engaged the robbers in the shoot-out, saying they showed proficiency in the handling of guns.

Mba, a deputy superintendent of police (DSP) said the police will deal with robbers and enjoined them to flee the state.

He assured that the command will reward the gallent officers in due course.

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