

Police petitioned over murder, assassination attempt

The former Deputy Director, in the Federal Ministry of Agriculture, Abuja, Chief Mike Iloka Ejemba, has petitioned the police over an assassination attempt on him, killing of his two security guards and robbery.

A copy of the petition confirmed by the police and made available to *Daily Trust* yesterday in Abuja, was signed by the complainant's attorney, Barrister Amobi Nzelu and titled: 'Improper investigation, handling of

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armed robbery and murder case by Imo state police command, a call for transfer of the case to Force Headquarters Abuja.'

The petition said that apart from the stolen items, that the armed robbers were, 'wielding offensive weapons and in the process, two nights guards of our client were killed by the assailants.'

The names of the suspected armed robbers/killers were also contained in the petition made available to this newspaper.

The Imo state Police Commissioner, Mr. John Moronike, when contacted on phone, did not deny the

incident but promised to call *Daily Trust* for details which he did not as at press time.

Daily Trust has also seen another petition by the complainant to the Assistant Inspector General of Police (AIG) in Umuahia over the same incident.

Another statement made available to *Daily Trust* by Chief Ejemba's aide said he was not at his Akuma, Oru council of Imo state residence when the armed robbers stormed, killing his guards.

It said the assailants carted valuables worth millions, while the only surviving security guard is currently receiving medical attention in hospital.

According to it, the survivor, named Sunday said

the incident happened on October 19, 2006. 'The armed robbers broke into the main house requesting for the whereabouts of Chief Mike Ejemba who was billed for home that fateful day to attend a court case at Owerri High Court on October 20, but later decided to fly in direct from Abuja on the day of the court sitting instead of going by road on October 19, 2006 which would have made him to pass a night at his village house.'

According to him, when the robbers could not get their target, they descended on the security guards who are identified as: Chukwujekwu Udemezue and Mmaduka Anekwe

