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Trailer rams into robbery gang, kills one

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A trailer travelling to Lagos on Monday evening rammed into a notorious Birnin Gwari armed robbery gang while they were operating along Buruku road. Daily Trust gathered that the armed robbers numbering eight had blocked the Birnin Gwari road with stones and were dispossessing motorists of their valuables when a trailer, which was coming from Kaduna rammed into them. One of the robbers died on the spot.

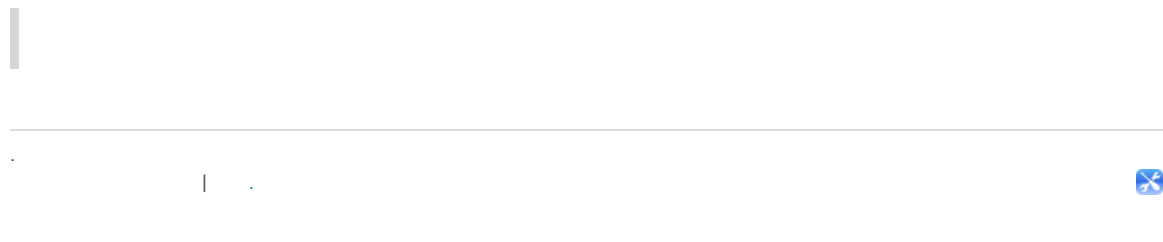
Confirming the incident, the spokesperson of the Kaduna State Police Command, DSP Aminu Lawan said, "the armed robbers were unleashing terror on the motorists around 5.30pm when the trailer rammed into them. The truck destroyed what they used to block the road and killed a member of the gang. Minutes after the incident, police men from the Birnin Gwari division raced to the scene and the gang opened fire on them. During the gun battle, another robber was shot, he died yesterday morning in hospital.

"Even after the trailer crushed one of them, the remaining members continued with their operation up to the time our men arrived the scene. Throughout the gun battle, none of the motorists they attacked sustained injury," he said.

He said the command has commenced investigation into the matter.

"We will soon arrest the remaining members of the gang, who are on the run. We urge the people of the area to report any suspicious persons to the nearest police station for prompt action," he added.

Items recovered from the gang, according to the PPRO included one single barrel gun, live cartridges, money and handsets.



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