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There was confusion in Rigasa, a densely populated Kaduna suburb Wednesday when two armed robbers were killed by an irate mob after attempting to snatch money from a resident.

Witnesses told Daily Trust that the robbers who operated on a motorcycle, were killed after exhausting the bullets in their AK 47 rifle. It was gathered that the robbers trailed one Samaila Ayuba to his house in Makera road, Rigasa from a bank where he withdrew some money.

The killing of the robbers who were shooting sporadically in an attempt to escape from the crowd that thronged the scene caused confusion. One Salisu Garba who witnessed the incident said two of the robbers were killed while one who was on motorcycle escaped. The spokesman of the Kaduna Police Command, DSP Aminu Lawan said they recovered the AK 47 the robbers used in the operation. He said their investigation showed that the robbers trailed Samaila, their victim from where he sold the scrap of his accidented car and not a bank.

"They followed him from where he sold the scrap of his car for N300,000. The business was done in the open and the money was given to him in cash. They entered his house with masks and were carrying a bag. His children started shouting thieves, thieves, this brought the attention of people in their neighbourhood who joined them in raising the alarm," he said. He said the robbers became confused and that they brought out an Ak-47 rifle from their bag started shooting to scare people away.

According to him, the robbers while trying to escape, shot an okada rider who refused to give them his motorcycle. He said the command had commenced investigation into the matter and that they were on the trail of the fleeing robbers.

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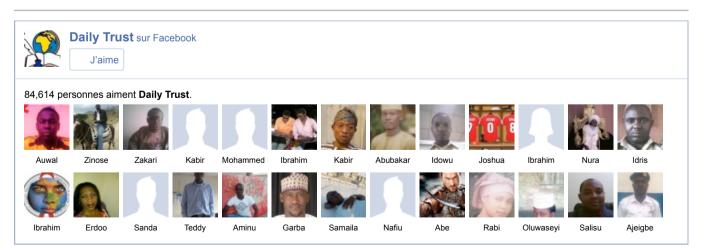
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