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2 robbers burnt to death in Owerri

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5 Share Two suspected armed robbers were yesterday burnt to death in Owerri, Imo State. Daily Trust gathered that the suspects who are part of a six-man gang were about to commence operation at about mid night when luck ran out on them.

Resident of Amaigbo street, including a local vigilante group, came out of their houses and went after the robbers when they were alerted.

Four of the robbers escaped, but the mob arrested two of them and set them ablaze. Our correspondent reports that one of the robbers was burnt beyond recognition.

A resident of the street said since she moved to that area about a year ago, robbers have been terrorizing them.

She said the situation caused residents of the area to make alternative security arrangement with a local vigilante group to curb the activities of the robbers.

She lamented that despite that, the situation has persisted.

When contacted, the Public Relations Officer of the Imo State police command, Mr.Linus Nwaiwu said he was not aware of the incident.

He however warned people not to take the law into their hands. He said instead, such cases should be reported to the nearest police station.

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