

Robbers kill policeman, one civilian in Port Harcourt

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ARMED robbers yesterday killed a mobile police officer and one civilian driver in front of a bank about 200 meters away from the Mile One Police Station in Port Harcourt, Rivers State.

The robbers, believed to have

trailed their victims, who were about to drive into a new generation bank along the Ikwerre road in a Toyota Hilux with a foreign plate number: 758 ONG Republic of Benin, killed the driver and the policeman with tag number: 327787 and carted away unspecified amount of money.

Spokesman of the state police

command Ben Ugwuegbulam could not be reached for confirmation of the robbery incident as telephone number was not reachable and did not reply to a text message sent to him.

But a witness, who simply identified himself as Obinna, said the slain driver worked for one Songhai farm, saying, "I was to be within

the car with them. I know the civilian driver".

A reporter with the Vanguard Newspaper, Mr. George Onah, who narrowly escaped being killed, said, "I was inside my car, about to drive out when I saw them. I was waiting for them to clear when suddenly the shooting started and bullets destroyed the glass of my vehicle."