

# Gunmen kill one in Abuja suburb

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TWO gunmen riding on a motorcycle yesterday shot and killed a man in Kubwa, a suburb of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Abuja.

The gunmen, who apparently trailed the man, shot him around 11:00am near Sultan Dasuki Road, a short distance from the Navy Quarters in Kubwa.

A witness told *Daily Trust* that "the incident happened within

seconds. The man just passed carrying a polythene bag. Then we heard the first gunshot, may be meant to scare people away. Before you know it, the man had been shot by the gunmen who left the scene immediately. They didn't take anything from the man."

"The man who carried out the shooting was wearing a white T-shirt. I think they were following him from somewhere. The police arrived at the scene a little later," he said.

However, when contacted

the police spokesman in Abuja Moshood Jimoh said the incident was an armed robbery.

He said armed robbers attacked people in a supermarket in Kubwa yesterday in the morning and killed a middle aged carpenter, Godwin Ogaba.

"The victim was shot by the robbers with a locally made pistol after a brief struggle, the police said. The robbers immediately fled the area after the incident and did not steal anything from the shop nor from the custom-

ers," he added.

Jimoh said: "The commissioner has drafted anti-robbery policemen in the area and ordered investigation into the attack."

For now, no one was fingered for the attack but police say people are cooperating with them in the inquiry.

Ogaba is married and was living in Kubwa before the attack. Other people said the assailants were hired to kill someone and must have missed the intended victim.