

Robbers shoot Zamfara customs boss

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Suspected armed robbers yesterday morning shot the officer in charge of Zamfara State Customs Command, Alhaji Atiku, near Tsafe town while on his way to the state capital, Gusau.

The hoodlums also shot and killed a retired military personnel after they opened fire on a passenger bus he was travelling in.

Confirming the attack, Zamfara State Police Commissioner Tambari Yabo Muhammad, said the armed robbers had laid ambush along the Gusau-Funtua Road near Tsafe town between 6:45 and 7:15am, when they shot at passing vehicles.

“They fired indiscriminately at vehicles, as a result they shot the Customs officer and also killed a retired soldier,” Yabo said.

Daily Trust gathered that the Customs officer was newly posted to take charge of the state command and was attacked while travelling with his family. Sources said he was shot in the thigh. He was said to be admitted in an undisclosed hospital in Gusau, for treatment.