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Kogi: Gunmen bomb police station, rob bank - Doctor killed, many injured

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A medical doctor identified as Dr. Ameh was yesterday killed as an armed gang bombed a **police station** and robbed banks at Ajaokuta Steel Company area in Ajaokuta local government area of **Kogi** State. Weekly Trust gathered that the robbers stormed Geregu area at about 1am, shooting sporadically into the air to scare people away. The doctor was said to have run into the robbers while returning home from night duty.

The source said, the robbers bombed the divisional **police** post in the area and carted away arms and ammunition before invading banks in the area. He added that on hearing the sound of the gunshots, the policemen abandoned their duty posts for safety before the robbers arrived the **station**.

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According to the source, the robbers then entered a **bank** in the area, forcing the ATM machine open, making away with an undisclosed amount of money. It was further gathered that the operation, which lasted for over three hours, left several persons injured as the robbers moved from one **bank** to another in the area, shooting into the air.

Some staff of the Ajaokuta Steel Company, the source said, also sustained bullet wounds and were said to be receiving treatment in an undisclosed hospital in the area. The **Police** Public Relations Officer (PPRO) Mr. Ajayi Okansomi who confirmed the incident however said the **police** were able to prevent them from gaining entrance to some banks.

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