

# Police kill 4 robbery suspects in Lagos

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FOUR out of a six-man robbery gang were at the weekend shot dead in a shootout with police attached to Ilupeju Police station, Lagos.

A Beninois, Seyi Nasara who is member of the gang, sustained injuries. Others are Onosowo Gabuet and Henry.

The Beninois lives around Okoko-maiko area of Ojo and had allegedly hooked up with others for the operation at Anthony bus stop.

*Eko Trust* learnt that the gang operating from two commercial bikes had laid siege in the front of a bank for unsuspecting customers who had come to either cash or deposit money.

A member of the gang Seyi Nasara told *Eko Trust* that when they arrived at the area around 10am they split themselves into three groups.

"We were in our different position monitoring the movement of people in and out of the bank and waiting for any opportunity" he confessed.

He further confessed that they had waited for about an hour when the victim suddenly emerged from inside the banking hall, clinching a black bag.

He admitted hitting the victim with the gun from behind, while shouting to further scare the victim and make him hand over the package "without any difficulties" he stated.

He explained that immediately, the victim realized that the robbers were not there for play, they promptly dropped the bag.

"We did not have any idea of what the content of the bag was before we struck, but from the look and size we don't need anybody to tell us that it is money" seyi added.

As soon as they grabbed the bag, the gang headed for Iyana Oworoshoki, but were pursued by a combined team of members of the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW) in the area.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Superintendent of Police (SP), Joseph Jaiyeoba told *Eko Trust* that one of the suspects was killed in a shootout with police, while three others were arrested with various bullet wounds.