

Gunmen kill 2 policemen, injure 1 at Kubwa

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The Police Outpost at Arab junction, Kubwa where the two policemen were reportedly gunned down on Friday morning.

Two policemen were reportedly shot dead in the early hours of Friday at their duty post along Arab Road, Kubwa in Bwari Area Council by some armed men.

City News learnt, however, that another policeman survived the gunshot while one other escaped unhurt.

A police source said the policemen, two Inspectors and two Sergeants, have signed off for the day and were

preparing to hand over when the gunmen stormed the area around 5.45am.

The source said they shot three of them before carting away their guns, leaving two of them dead and the other in an unconscious state.

According to the source, the bodies were immediately moved to the Kubwa General Hospital where two of them were certified dead and deposited at the mortuary, while the other was referred to National Hospital.

Our reporters further learnt that the surviving policeman, who was said to have fired at the gunmen, was saying his morning prayer at an open mosque not far from the scene when the gunmen arrived.

He was said to have called the Kubwa Police Division thereafter, informing them of the incidence.

When the City News visited the scene of the incidence on Saturday afternoon, the place which used to witness pocket of activities, remained deserted apart from the presence of few commercial motorcyclists waiting for passengers.

A roadside trader, who spoke to one of our reporters on the incidence, said a team of policemen, who went to the scene on Saturday for fact-finding, destroyed all the makeshifts that dotted the junction and set them ablaze after taking photographs.

The container used as the police outpost was locked when City News visited Saturday, as no policemen were deployed to the area yet.

However, the police outpost was opened yesterday, with about four policemen seen routinely checking vehicles passing through the road.

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At the Kubwa Police Division, the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) declined comments on the incident and referred City News to the FCT Police Command.

But a competent police source at the division said the surviving policeman was taken to the Abuja National Hospital, where he is responding to treatment, while the remains of the two dead policemen were deposited at the Kubwa General Hospital morgue.

Reacting, the spokesman of the FCT Police Command, Anjuguri Manzah, an Assistant Superintendent, insisted that no policemen were killed during the incident, adding that all the injured policemen were taken to hospital for treatments.

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