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Security men kill gunman in shoot-out

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Onlookers outside a building where security operatives engaged a gunman in shootout at Ilorin vesterday.

There was panic in Anifowoshe-Pakata area of Ilorin, Kwara State early yesterday when security men shot dead a gunman after heavy exchange of gunfire.

The gunman reportedly ran out of bullets and was overpowered and shot dead by men of the "Operation Harmony" security outfit comprising the army, Air Force and personnel of other security agencies.

The outfit was said to have been on the trail of the gunman who reportedly hailed from Okene,

Kogi State. An army officer sustained injuries in the gun fight.

Residents of the area said they woke up yesterday to sounds of gunshot that lasted till 11: 00 am as the security operatives battled to arrest the gunman.

Daily Trust gathered that the man was ambushed at an apartment along Anifowoshe where he engaged the operatives but he took cover in the building after running out of bullets. There was a heavy assault on the building and the man was taken out with a bad hit on the head and legs.

The security operatives blocked major entrances to the area while residents were kept off as the operation lasted. Commissioner of Police, Salihu Garba, confirmed the operation but said the police were not involved.

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