Robbers kill police, soldier in Benue

From Hope Abah, Makurdi

Armed robbers yesterday killed a policeman and an Army Lance Corporal during an operation at Ukum Local Government Area of Benue State.

Spokesman of the state's police command, ASP. Austin Ezeani, said the deceased were members of 'Operation Zenda', a special squad comprising of security agents in the state.

According to Ezeani, the police sergeant attached to 13 Mopol unit, Makurdi and the soldier who was of 72 Special Battalion, Makurdi, were ambushed by the robbers who opened fire on them around 6am.

He added that the deceased security operatives were part of the team that was responding to a distress call by armed robbery victims. Ezeani said efforts were on to arrest the culprits.