

# 4 killed as gunmen raze Imo police station

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**G**unmen have razed the Orsu police station in Imo State, killing one police inspector in the process while three of the gunmen were also killed in an ensuing gunfire.

The police public relations officer in the state, CSP Mike Abattam, who confirmed the incident in a statement yesterday, said armed bandits attacked the station at 9:35 pm on Thursday.

He said the gunmen threw explosives and petrol bomb on the roof of the station, damaging it and

causing fire outbreak.

He said the fire affected some of the vehicles parked at the station.

Abattam, however, said the command's tactical teams on ground engaged the bandits in a gun duel, and as a result of the superior firepower of the police, they were subdued.

"Three of the bandits were neutralized, and their guns - one pump action and two locally made double-barrel pistols - were recovered, while others escaped into the bush with bullet wounds. Unfortunately, a police inspector lost his life in the attack," the statement noted.