

# CRIME NOTES

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## LAGOS

**MURDERED: SIX** policemen were killed, last Wednesday, during a bank robbery by hoodlums at Ikotun area of Lagos.

The policemen, including two Constables, an Inspector, a Sergeant, a Corporal and one Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), were believed to have been waylaid by the robbers. The state police command has commenced raid of criminal's hideouts following the incident.

**MOTOR ACCIDENT: ON** Oct. 24, at about 4am, a report was received at Satellite Police Station that a commercial Nissan Bus, No. XE 201 ABC, driven by one Saidi Raimu of No. 25, Ajoke Street, Ajangbandi, ran over a yet-to-be identified adult male at Mile 2 Bus-Stop along Badagry Expressway. Victim was rushed to a nearby hospital where he was confirmed dead.

Similarly, on Oct. 25, at about 8pm, information was received at Sabo Police Station that a commercial Volkswagen Mini-Bus, with reg. No. XJ 579 APP, driven by one Musa Saliu ran over a yet-to-be identified adult male pedestrian along Herbert Macaulay Road, Sabo-Yaba. The victim sustained injury on his head and was rushed to a nearby hospital where he later died.

Finally, on Oct. 25, at about 7pm, the Ajao Estate Police Station received a report that a yet-to-be identified driver of a commercial bus ran over a pedestrian, 68-year-old Donatus Osigwe of No. 50, Ijaiye Street, Itire along Murtala Mohammed International Airport Road, Ajao Estate. The victim died on the spot.

**FIRE INCIDENT: ON** Oct. 25, at about 2:30am, a report was received at Alade Police Station of a fire outbreak at No. 46, Odunlade Street, Shomolu. The fire was later put out by fire servicemen, assisted by policemen from the station, who were at the scene to provide security.

**ARSON: HOODLUMS** numbering about 13, in the early hours of Wednesday, October 24, invaded The Assemblies of God Church in Ajao Estate, Lagos and set it ablaze. The invaders were said to have tied up the two private security personnel attached to the church before gaining entrance into the place. They, however, escaped before the arrival of police patrol team.

**KILLED: POLICE** in the state's Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Panti-Yaba on Wednesday, October 24 gunned down a robbery kingpin during an operation. The killed suspect was among others robbing at Lateef Estate in Ifako- Gbagada. Two others escaped with gunshot injuries after the shout out. Detectives at SCID had raced to the scene following a distress call, received by a team of Anti-robbery policemen in Anthony Police Station. The injured robber later died before he could be interrogated, but during a search, one brownie pistol, seven rounds of ammunition and nine live cartridges were recovered from the dead robber.

**RECOVERED: THE SCID**, in a tip off, invaded a mechanic workshop located at Araromi village, a border Town, between Lagos and Ogun states, where some dismantled engines and seven stolen cars were recovered. Five suspected criminals were also arrested.

## BAUCHI

**RAID: POLICE** in the state have embarked on daily mass raid across the state metropolis with a view to arresting miscreants. The police's move is in line with the state government's directive to wipe out hooliganism in the state.

## ABUJA

**ARRESTED: SCORES** of women, who travelled to Abuja recently to protest the planned impeachment of a state governor from the eastern part of the country, were arrested by the police. Their arrest followed an order from the FCT Commissioner of Police, Lawrence Alobi. He said the command did not grant the permission for the protest.

## PLATEAU

**KILLED: TWO** persons were confirmed dead and a police station razed when irate youths clashed with policemen at Pankshin area of the state. Meanwhile, daredevil robbers struck again in the area shortly after the clash, adding to the sense of insecurity.

## NIGER

**KILLED: THREE** suspected robbers were fatally shot by the police during a recent gun duel, along the state highway. The robbers had been terrorising road users in recent times.

## DELTA

**ROBBERS: DAREDEVIL** robbers have continued to attack drivers along the Agbor-Asaba road. The Police command in the state has deployed more anti-robbery policemen to check the menace along the road.