

Gunmen attack Rivers Commissioner's home, kill two

A PARTY meant to celebrate the appointment of Mr. Billy Braide Eldred as a commissioner in Rivers State turned sour yesterday when a gang of gunmen stormed the place killing two persons, leaving several others injured.

The gunmen, an eye-witness said, swooped on the Lumumba, Ojike Street, Diobu, Port Harcourt residence of Eldred where his relatives, friends and well-wishers were partying, shouting indiscriminately at anyone who caught their fancy.

The Guardian learnt that the gunmen, who arrived at the house on motorcycles, broke into the premises and opened fire on a crowd of people that were dinning

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and rejoicing with him over his appointment.

"The gunmen just interrupted the party and started shooting indiscriminately. They shot dead two persons, one of them an intimate friend of the commissioner. several others sustained bullet wounds," the eyewitness said.

He further continued: "I have serious reservation if some of those who sustained gunshot wounds will survive. The attackers were damn too vicious. They were just shooting indiscriminately at any person that pleased them. It was a big shocker to me. Port Harcourt has turned extremely lawless."