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Armed robbers kill policeman in Kwara State

From Abiodun Fagbemi, Ilorin

A POLICE Corporal serving with Kwara State Police Command, Tuwan Simeon, was at the weekend shot dead by a 20-man robbery gang, during a crossfire by men of the command who had attempted to stop the criminals from gaining entry into Ilorin, the state capital.

The state's Police Commissioner, Donald Iroham, last week, told reporters that the command had received intelligence reports that men of the underworld were planning to invade Ilorin "from neighbouring states."

The development had led to several police checkpoints springing up in Ilorin during the Yuletide, which some residents condemned because of the heavy vehicular traffic they created.

Public Relations Officer of the Command, Deputy Superintendent, Tunde Mohammed, told reporters during a briefing at the weekend that the hoodlums had attempted the infiltration in a convoy of three vehicles snatched in Auchi, Edo State.

The vehicles, a Toyota Land Cruiser Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV) with registration number, Abuja BB457KWL, a black Sport Car and another vehicle whose brand and model could not be ascertained, were reportedly used as armoury by the robbers.

Mohammed said: "These vehicles were intercepted by a team of mobile policemen on stop-and-search along Afon/Ganmo Junction. While the men were conducting search of the vehicles, the hoodlums opened fire at the policemen and killed one corporal Tuwan Simeon of 15 PMF and took away his AK 47 riffle with the number 4798.

"The development attracted the attention of policemen from other patrol vehicles and the armed robbers were trailed to Asa Dam Area, where the team of policemen, led by Assistant Superintendent Ogunleye Dayo, had an encounter with the hoodlums."

"As the robbers could not withstand the fire power of the police, they abandoned the Toyota Land Cruiser and escaped with the other two vehicles. The vehicle had since been secured at the state's Police Headquarters, Ilorin."

According to Mohammed, items recovered from the abandoned vehicle included one AK 47 Magazine with five live ammunition, N 75,000, clothing materials, foodstuff, shoes, palm oil, a carton of wine, two Bibles and the particulars of the vehicle belonging to one, Raymond Elekwechi, of 10, Kotangora Road, Kaduna State.

Already, the command had contacted Elekwechi, who said he was on

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his way from his village in Anambra State, en route Auchi to Kaduna when his vehicle and the two others were snatched at gunpoint.

The rear screen of the recovered vehicle was smashed in the gun duel with the Police, as were the front bumper and lights.

The Police spokesman said the command has intensified its efforts to arrest the fleeing robbers and advised hospitals to report any one found with bullet injuries to the nearest police station.

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