

# Police Kill Three Gunmen, Lose Inspector During Fresh Attack On Imo Station

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**A** FIERCE attack at the weekend on Orsu Police Station in Imo State by unknown gunmen and subsequent gun duel between some operatives of the police and the bandits have claimed the life of a Police Inspector.

Also, three of the bandits lost their lives, while others escaped with bullet wounds. The hoodlums also bombed parts of the station with explosives.

The Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Michael

Abattam, a Chief Superintendent of Police (CSP), who confirmed this in a statement, yesterday, said the policemen on duty also repelled further attacks and recovered some guns and ammunition.

He said: "On 6/8/2021 at about 2135 hours, armed bandits, in their numbers attacked and threw explosives and petrol bombs on top of the roof of Orsu Police station damaging the roof and causing fire outbreak in the station which spread and

affected some of the vehicles parked at the parking lot.

"The Command's tactical teams on ground engaged the bandits in a gun duel. And due to the superior firepower of the police the bandits were subdued. Three of the bandits were neutralised and their guns, one pump action gun 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 spokesperson called on "the good people of Imo State, especially the Orsu community, to assist the police with credible information that will lead to the arrest of the escaped bandits and to report to the nearest police station any person seen with or treating bullet wounds."

He advised hospitals to ensure that they report any person who come to them for treatment of bullet wounds to the police.