

Fleeing armed robber dies in auto crash, two others injured in Rivers

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A MEMBER of a five-man armed robbery gang met his Waterloo yesterday, following an unsuccessful operation at Ada-George Road/Rumukokwu, in Nkpolu Oroworujwo community, Port Harcourt City Local Council of Rivers State.

According to an eyewitness, Woke Uche, the robbers came in two vehicles to an engine oil shop, tied up the security guards on duty and started

transferring the product into their vehicles.

Uche explained that as the



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robbers were leaving, a private security guard attached to the warehouse raised the alarm which attracted passersby and the police.

According to him, the robbers drove very fast. Upon noticing a police patrol van was pursuing them, they tried to use an alternative route and followed a route that links Rumukokwu from Ada George road. There, they rammmed into a parked trailer.

"The driver of one of the cars died on the spot. Two mem-

bers of the gang were critically injured while the others escaped," the witness added.

Confirming the incident, spokesperson for the Rivers State Command, SP Grace Iringe-Koko, said the robbers collided with a stationary vehicle while the police were giving them a hot chase.

She added that the suspects were rushed to a hospital where one of them was confirmed dead and the critically injured are receiving treatment.