

Calendar Of Crimes In 2006

CASE-FILE

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Wednesday, June 7, 2006: two policemen attached to a police station in Oleh, headquarters of Isoko South Local Government Area of Delta State, were shot dead by men of the underworld in a robbery operation at Emevor-IDC road.

It was gathered that the robbers went away with two service rifles belonging to the slain policemen, who were returning from their duty post at a community bank.

Wednesday, June 21, 2006: A policeman and two others, including

a student of Madonna University, Anambra State, were allegedly killed in another bank robbery attack in Lagos. The robbery took place at a new generation bank in Ojodu.

Friday, June 30, 2006: A gubernatorial aspirant of the Advanced Congress of Democrats (ACD) in Plateau State, Mr. Jesse Aruku, was abducted and killed near his house in Bassa Local Government Council, Plateau State.

On Thursday, July 27, 2006, a third-time aspirant to the Lagos State gubernatorial seat, and PDP chieftain, Engineer Funso Williams, lost his life in a cold-blooded murder.

Williams was strangled to death at his 184B, Corporation Drive home, Dolphin Estate, Ikoyi, Lagos. His wife and children were said to have travelled to London when the incident occurred. The assailants left no doubt

that their mission was to take the life of the prominent engineer and politician in a most violent manner.

They tied his legs and hands before strangling him in his bedroom. He was also stabbed several times.

On Friday, July 28, 2006, nine persons including a top gubernatorial aspirant and former Minister of Works, Senator Adeseye Ogunlewe, Musiliu Obanikoro, Tokunbo Kamson, retired Assistant Commissioner of Police, Kehinde Oyenuga were arrested in connection with the murder of Williams.

On Monday, August 14, 2006, Dr. Ayodeji Daramola, food scientist and gubernatorial aspirant in Ekiti State, was murdered in his bedroom at Ijan-Ekiti in the early hours of the day. The death of the consultant on Social Protection and HIV/AIDS to the World Bank country office, Abuja,

sparked off violent reactions, as irate youths took to the streets and burnt property belonging to the Ekiti State PDP Chairman, Ropo Adesanya, who is also an indigene of the town. His father's house and those of other PDP chieftains were torched.

Sunday, August 6, 2006: Robbers resumed their onslaught in Benin-City, Edo State, especially on banks at weekends, killing two policemen, one civilian and injuring two others.

The bandits struck at First Bank branch office located at Kings Square (Ring Road) in the heart of the city about midnight on Sunday.

On Wednesday, September 13, 2006: A gang of robbers struck at a new generation bank in Lagos and killed one person.

The robbers, who were dressed in police uniforms, armed with sophisticated weapons and other house-breaking implements, invaded Coker branch of the bank at Apapa, Lagos. Time was 1 a.m.

Monday, October 23, 2006: The police in Lagos were plunged into mourning after dare-devil armed robbers shot dead six cops at Abule-Egba during a bank robbery.

The slain cops, four of whom were from the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) of the Lagos State Police Command, Adekunle Fajuyi Road, GRA, Ikeja, and two others attached to Alakuko Division, were responding to a distress call about 1:30 a.m. when they ran into an ambush by the robbers, numbering over 30.

The gang went away with two AK-47 rifles of the slain cops.

The unfortunate policemen were moving to the scene in an unmarked Toyota saloon car and were all dressed in mufti when they came under heavy gunfire. Out of the five cops in the car, only the driver survived.

The slain four cops attached to SARS were identified as Inspector Dashe Danladi, Corporal Lawrence Abbah, Sergeants Sabiu Abdullahi and Sylvester Ijebai. A sum of N16 million was allegedly carted away from the new generation bank.

Tuesday, November 21, 2006: Robbers raided four commercial banks and a filling station in Lagos. The robbers, who were armed with sophisticated weapons and house-breaking implements, arrived Ladipo Market, Mushin, where the affected banks were located about 2 in the morning and carted away money running into millions of naira. And at the end of the three-hour operation, one person was killed dead.

Wednesday, September 25, 2006: Six policemen attached to Ikotun Division, Lagos, were ambushed and killed by an armed robbery gang.

The six cops were among a ten-man patrol team who were on routine patrol at Union Bank, Ikotun branch, where the bandits with superior weapons had laid siege to the bank in an attempt to rob it. In the crossfire that ensued, six of the policemen lost their lives, while four others were wounded and received treatment at Yaba Military Hospital, Lagos.

The slain cops were identified as ASP Kamilu Mojeed, Inspector Sikiru

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