

ing to your knowledge who are acting on the instructions of Senator

she stated.

# Two Killed As Robbers Raid Bank In Rivers

By Odudu Okpongete  
SENIOR CORRESPONDENT,  
Port Harcourt

Two persons were confirmed dead on Thursday following a bank robbery in Omoku, Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni Local Government Area of Rivers State.

Reliable sources told our correspondent that a stray bullet hit a little boy, as the robbers shot sporadically into the air.

Another man was also confirmed killed at Idu Community, as the robbers moved towards their escape route.

Nobody was said to have been killed in the bank, as both the staff and customers obeyed the instruction of the robbers to lie face down.

The robbers, who reportedly stormed the bank early Thursday morning, however, succeeded in causing pandemonium in Omoku, especially the council secretariat located near the bank.

*Daily Independent* learnt that the robbers, who came through

the notorious Ahoada-Obrikom Road, disarmed all the security guards including policemen at the gate before starting the operation.

Sources said some of the robbers were stationed inside the security post to keep an eye on the guards while others entered the bank.

After securing the entire location, the robbers reportedly cleared all the money they could lay their hands on, but it was not clear whether the robbers gained access into the bank's vault.

The bandits reportedly fired sporadically into the air as they moved out of the bank from where they rushed into a waiting bus and escaped.

Eyewitnesses claimed the robbers drove straight to a river where they had stationed a speedboat and immediately set ablaze the bus, which they came with before escaping with the boat.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Mrs. Ireju Barasua, confirmed the incident.