

Cultists Kill Two Students At UNIPORT

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An attack by suspected cult members at the University of Port Harcourt (UNIPORT) in Rivers State claimed the lives of two undergraduates and injured three others last weekend.

An eyewitness said the cultists, numbering about seven, stormed the Abuja campus of the institution about 4.30p.m and shot

sporadically to scare others before hitting their target, who had reportedly been spotted at the Abuja campus gate.

The incident caused a stampede in the university community, as the attackers were said to have pumped several bullets into the victims. One of them reportedly died instantly, while the cultists went after the other, who managed to escape through a fence, and gunned him down. He died while

being rushed to the hospital.

Our correspondent gathered that the cultists came in a black Mercedes Benz car and were armed with sophisticated weapons. They reportedly scared other motorists on the East-West road before carrying out the act.

Although the cause of the killing is yet to be ascertained, our reporter learnt that minutes after attacking the students, the assailants were chased by a

patrol team of military men on the East / West road but that they managed to escape.

The university authorities have not commented on the killings while the identity of the deceased is yet to be disclosed. But their corpses have been deposited in a mortuary.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Mrs Ireju Barasua, confirmed the incident but said no arrest had been made.