

Robbers Kill Three Cops, Civilian In Lagos

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Three policemen and one civilian (a female), were the victims of a face-off between an armed gang and policemen attached to Lion Building Division, Lagos, on Monday.

The policemen were responding to a tip-off about the robbers, who were aboard a stolen bus, snatched at Ogba.

Upon sighting the Rapid Response Squad (RRS), however, the

• Bank Staff Dies In Another Police, Robber Face-off

robbers resorted to shooting indiscriminately into the air.

Similarly, another person was allegedly shot on Monday in Lagos, when policemen confronted a gang of armed robbers, who raided Ogudu branch of a Lagos-based commercial bank, (names withheld).

It was gathered that the victim was one of the bank's security personnel, who allegedly rushed into the banking hall to inform the man-

ager of the presence of the criminals.

A police officer attached to the RRS, Inspector Emmanuel Osoji told *Daily Independent* that his patrol team had responded to a distress call from the bank.

"We got a distress call that some boys with gun were trying to operate in a bank, so we rush there, when they saw us coming they started shooting at us so we responded."

The officer refused to say

whether the robbery was successful or not. According to him, "that is not for me to say, I do not work at the bank, and there is no way we would be able to say whether they took money or not. That would be sorted out during investigation."

But a competent source informed ****Daily Independent**** that the criminals arrived the bank at about 9.30 p.m. and made their way to staff special entrance at the back of the bank, force their way in, after over-powering some of the bank's security personnel.