Robbers sack bank, kill five in Akure

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ARMED bandits on Tuesday attacked the Diamond Bank, Akure branch, adjacent the state Ministry of Works, along Oyemeku road in the Ondo State capital, killing five people, including a security personnel attached to the bank, Bankole

Olowoyelu.
The robbery gang wreaked havoc within

the vicinity of the bank, shooting sporadically damaging walls, several vehicles within the premises and other cars parked at the

automart garage beside the

bank building.

The robbers, who operated unhindered for no less than an hour, used dynamite to blow off the security door of the bank to gain access.

The robbers who came in three vehicles, abandoned an Honda Accord salon car with registration number JU 522 EKY (LAGOS), but later escaped with another jeep.
Eyewitness account said the armed robbers dressed in T shirts and were armed

to the teeth with submachine

guns. AK 47 and other assault

rifles shooting along the ever

busy Oyemekun road.

As they were moving toward the bank, they shot into the air to scare away people including policemen who mounted road blocks.

The gang leader wielding submachine gun, trekked towards the bank while other members follow in three vehicles. As he was shooting

others were also supporting,

him by shooting into the air.
On getting to the bank which is opposite the state Ministry for Works, the robbers killed the private security guard known as Bankole Olowoyelu and used dynamite to break open the security door leading to

the banking hall.

After they got inside the bank premises, they shot one of the customers who was about using the ATM in front of the bank before proceeding inside the bank for the business of the day. The bank manager's office was riddled with bullets but the man was not on seat at the time. After they operated

unhindered in the bank

premises, they left through

different areas.