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Soldiers kill two robbers in Delta, recover two AK47

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TWO MEMBERS of a gang of armed robbers who have been terrorising residents of Ovorie in Ethiope East Council have been killed by men of the Nigerian Army, 3 Battalion, Effurun, Delta State.

The bandits met their Waterloo at the wee hours of Thursday during a gun duel with the Army personnel deployed to the Ovorie checkpoint, following a tip off by residents of the community.

Two AK-47 rifles with four loaded magazines painted in police colour, were recovered from the dead hoodlums.

Briefing news men on the incident, Major Anthony C. Nlemadim, Officer in-Charge of Bravo Company, who led the operation, said he mobilised his men as soon as he received distress call that the criminals were operating in the area, and gun battle ensued resulting in the death of the robbers.

He said: "At about 4.30am, my men deployed to the Ovorie checkpoint were alerted by the people around that armed robbers were terrorising the area."

"I quickly mobilised my men and in the course of the exchange of fire, two of the robbers were gunned down; we believe that there were others."

"They were carrying sophisticated weapons, AK-47 with magazines painted in Police colour believed to have snatched from them."

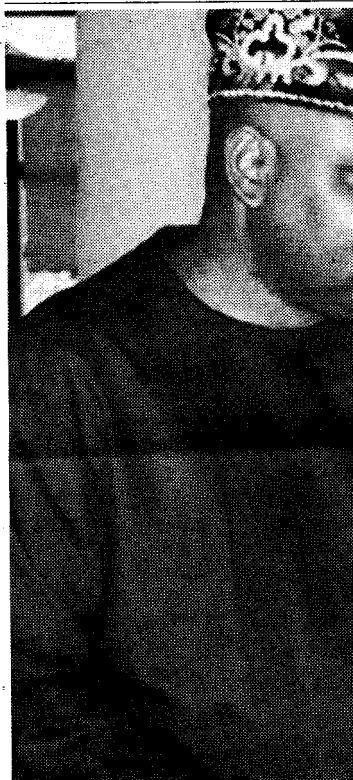
Security wipe out

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INSPECTOR General of Police, Mohammed Abubakar, has asked Nigerians to exercise patience on the Boko Haram issue as security agencies are doing everything within their powers to stamp it out once and for all.

Abubakar spoke in Owerri as he addressed stakeholders on security in the state.

The IGP, who was on a tour of the Zone 9 Police Command, said however that the strategy



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