

# One Killed, Many Injured As Gunmen Attack Jigawa

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**DUTSE** – Some hoodlums on Wednesday night attacked a community at Gidan Maidawa in Dutse Local Government Area of Jigawa State.

Muhammad Abdullahi, director, Administration and General Duties, Dutse Local Government Area, who spoke on behalf of Bala 'Yar-Gaba, the council chairman, said one person was killed and 10 others sustained serious injuries in the attack.

He said the gunmen came around 2:30 a. m with weapons, shooting sporadically, injured many residents including children and women in the area.

He said other victims, who sustained of injuries were referred to Aminu Kano Teaching Hospital in Kano.

Shedding more light on the attack, Bala Zama Senchi, Jigawa State Police Commissioner, said the hoodlums came from a neighbouring state, adding "we won't relent in our efforts in taking proactive measures to crush the criminal elements."

The police said a squad had since been drafted to the area to unravel the hideout of the gang and arrest the members. He assured the public that police was ready to protect of lives and property of the citizenry.

Meanwhile, the police have not made any arrest in connection with the attack. Alleged Money Laundering: EFCC Re-Arraigns Ofili-Ajumogobia, Obla Absent

The Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) on Thursday could not produce a Senior Advocate of Nigeria (SAN), Godwin Obla, for arraignment in Lagos over alleged money laundering.

The commission charged Obla along with former Justice Rita Ofili-Ajumogobia of the Federal High Court but Obla was absent before Justice Rilwan Aikawa of the Federal High Court.

EFCC counsel, Mr Rotimi Oyedepo, told the court that efforts to reach the SAN proved abortive, claiming that his phones were switched off.

He said that Obla's counsel could not also confirm his whereabouts.

Oyedepo urged the court to allow Ofili-Ajumogobia to be arraigned alone pending production in court of Obla.

The court granted the prayer. Ofili-Ajumogobia pleaded not guilty to an 18-count charge.

Her re-arraignment followed her re-arrest after an Ikeja High Court struck out a previous charge against her on Tuesday.

The money laundering charge preferred by the EFCC was struck out for lack of jurisdiction.

Obla, a former EFCC prosecution counsel, is the second defendant in the charge numbered FHC/139C/19.

EFCC alleged that the duo conspired on May 21 2014, to indirectly conceal N5 million in the Diamond Bank account of Nigel & Colive Ltd., which they "reasonably ought to have known formed part of proceeds of unlawful act".

The alleged offences contravened Sections 15 (2) (a) and 18 (a) of the Money Laundering Prohibition Act, 2011.