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Gunmen Shoot Bank Customer Dead, Escape With Money In Bayelsa



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Yenagoa – A four-man armed robbery gang on Friday shot dead one Emmanuel Omomo and escaped with his money in Bayelsa State.

It was gathered that the gunmen attacked Omomo in the premises of a bank along the Sani Abacha Expressway, Yenagoa, the state capital, where he had gone to withdraw a huge amount of cash at about 10 am.

The bank customer was said to have withdrawn the money and had come out of the banking hall to meet a tricycle he had reportedly arranged to take him to his destination.

It was further learnt that after he boarded the tricycle, the robbers, who were inside a Toyota Camry car with tinted glasses, pulled up and blocked the tricycle.

An eyewitness, who claimed to have been around the bank premises when the incident took place, said after the blockade the bandits ordered Omomo to hand over the 'Ghana Must Go Bag' containing the money to them.

According to the eyewitness, who pleaded anonymity, the customer refused to release the bag containing millions of money, a situation which allegedly infuriated them.

His assailants tried to forcibly take the bag of money from him and in the process, he ran out of the tricycle towards the queue in the bank.



Bank customer shot dead by armed robbers in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State capital.

It was at that point, the eyewitness added, that the infuriated robbers pursued their victim and pumped a volley of gunshots into him, leading to Omomo falling into a bushy ditch near a road pavement.

The robbers, who were allegedly armed with AK-47 rifles and brandishing multiple magazines, engaged in a shooting spree to scare away other customers queuing in front of the bank before escaping with their loot.

The spokesman for the Bayelsa State Police Command, Asinim Butswat, said the police authorities in the state had launched a manhunt for the unidentified gunmen who shot and killed the bank customer.

He said, "The unfortunate incident occurred on July 3, 2020 at about 1000 hours, on the premises of a new generation bank in Yenagoa when a customer was accosted by gunmen after he withdrew money.

"The armed robbers who came in a black Toyota Camry car accosted the customer one Emmanuel Omomo 'm' when he came out of the bank after making the withdrawals, shot him, collected all the money in his possession and zoomed off.

"The victim was immediately rushed to the Federal Medical Centre, Yenagoa, where he was confirmed dead."



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