

Gunmen Kill Policeman In Fresh Ebonyi Station Attack

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ABAKALIKI – Gunmen killed a policeman and injured another in fresh attack on Abaomege Police Station in Onicha Local Government Area of Ebonyi State on Saturday.

The gunmen, sources said, struck about 8p.m.

It was further gathered that the wounded police officer is currently receiving medical attention at Alex Ekwueme Federal Teaching Hospital, Abakaliki.

A resident of the area confirmed the attack to our correspondent on phone.

“The gunmen attacked the Abaomege Police Station Saturday evening. One policeman is said to be missing while another officer got serious injury. But he has been rushed to hospital in Abakaliki for treatment,” he said.

The attack was coming less than a week gunmen launched two separate attacks that led to the killing of two soldiers and a civilian at a military checkpoint; and the killing of a policeman at Onueke, at Amasiri in Afikpo and Onueke in Ezza South LGAs of the state, respectively.

Meanwhile, a statement by the state Police Relations Officer, DSP Loveth Odah, on Sunday, confirmed the incident, but made no mention about the killing of a policeman in the attack.

“At about 2200hrs of May 1, 2021, unknown gunmen driving in a white bus with a blue top drove into Abaomege Divisional Headquarters in Onicha Local Government Area of Ebonyi State without any headlamp on and destroyed the entrance make shift barricade (the Division is not fenced) started shooting sporadically at the policemen on duty while also attempting to set the Police Station ablaze but were promptly repelled.

“However, in the process Sergeant Ofem Obeten attached to the division was seriously injured while one Sgt. Cosmos Okere, was inflicted with machet cuts and he is responding to treatment in the hospital,” Odah explained.

The state police spokesman further disclosed that the Commissioner of Police, Aliyu Garba, had vowed to do anything within the ambit of the law to ensure the perpetrators were fished out and brought to justice.

Meanwhile, gunmen have killed a commissioner in the Kogi State Pension Board, Mr. Solomon Akeweje, and abducted the Chairman of Yagba West Local Government, Mr. Pius Kolawole.

Spokesman of the state police command, DSP William Aya, who confirmed the incident said that the commissioner and Kolawole were travelling in the same vehicle when they were attacked.

He said that police received the report of the attack about 4:30p.m of Saturday, May 1, and immediately moved to the scene of the incident.

The police spokesman said that the victims were attacked at Eruku, a border community between Kwara and Kogi states.

According to Aya, both Akeweje and Kolawole were travelling back to Egbe from Kwara State when they were attacked by yet-to-be-identified gunmen.

The whereabouts of the abducted Kolawole is unknown as at the time of this report while his abductors are yet to call.

However, the driver of the vehicle survived the attack while the corpse of Akeweje was deposited at the morgue of ECWA Hospital, Egbe.