

Gunmen Kill Three Policemen, Burn Station In Delta

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Gunmen have razed Nsukwa Police Station in Aniocha South Local Government Area of Delta State.

The attack on the quiet farming community was carried out in the early hours of Sunday by unidentified gunmen who killed three policemen at the station.

The Chairman of Aniocha South Council, Hon. Jude Chukwunwike, has condemned the attack on police station.

Chukwunwike, who visit-

ed Nsukwa earlier on Sunday with the Delta State Commissioner of Police, Mr. Ari Mohammed Ali, expressed shock on the attack.

"Nsukwa is in Aniocha South and like every community in the council, it is a peaceful agrarian community. The hoodlums came early in the early hours of Sunday, destroyed the police station and killed three policemen. A car parked within the premises and some motorcycles were also burnt.

"This kind of attack has never happened in the council before and I hope the security agencies are able to unravel

the persons behind it," Chukwunwike said.

He said he visited the traditional ruler of the community, His Royal Majesty, Obi Kenneth Ezeibunem I, who was equally shocked by the attack.

Receiving the chairman and the police commissioner in his palace, Obi Ezeibunem said, "It is painful losing gallant officers who committed no offence but lost their lives protecting us. May God receive their souls and grant the families and the police force the heart to bear the loss."

The traditional ruler urged the police commissioner to put in more efforts as Nsukwa

and environs have never seen this kind of violence.

The council chairman commended the Delta State police commissioner for his prompt response to report of the attack and commiserated with the families of the slain policemen.

"We do not know who is responsible for this attack. It is wicked, unprovoked and condemnable. I hope the security agencies will investigate and quickly fish out the persons responsible for this attack and punish them", Chukwunwike said.

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Acting Police Public Relations Officer of the Command, DSP Bright Edafe, regretted the incident, saying the deceased officers didn't include the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) as earlier speculated.

Delta State Commissioner of Police, Mr Ari Mohammed

Ali, on his part described the incident as a bad day for the command, but vowed to use all legal means available to bring the culprits to book.

According to him, "Investigation has already commenced. We are getting useful information because we can't rule out the possibility of having collaborators from those

who have been perpetrating similar attacks in the South-East.

"The style of operation of the attack is very similar with what has been happening in the South-East. We will definitely get to the root of the unfortunate incident and bring the suspects to book," he reiterated.
