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6 Gunmen, 1 Policeman Killed In Anambra Clash

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Six gunmen have been killed in a clash between a gang of rampaging gunmen and a team of gallant police operatives in Anambra State.

LEADERSHIP, however, learnt that one of police operatives lost his life during the clash which occurred at about 5.58 am yesterday at Nkwellezunaka Police Station in Oyi local government area of the state.

The clash occurred about 24 hours after a gang of rampaging hoodlums attacked Ogidi police station in neighbouring Idemili-North local government area killing three police officers and bombing the police station with Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) including petrol, destroying in the process virtual all the facilities at the police station.

Sources said the hoodlums were moving to the Nkwellezunaka police station in their large numbers,

shooting sporadically and a team of police operatives engaged them in a fierce exchange of gunfire.

The police team was said to have had superior fire power and neutralised five of them before they could flee carrying along one of their colleagues who sustained serious bullet injuries.

The police public relations officer in the state, DSP Ikenga Tochukwu, confirmed the incident

when LEADERSHIP contacted him.

He said, "Police operatives attached to 3-3 Police Divisional Headquarters, Nkwelle-Ezunaka, Oyi LGA today, 19/2/2023 by 5:58 am, foiled an attack by IPOB/ESN Insurgents on the police facility, neutralised six of the Insurgents, recovered two Ak-47 rifles, one Toyota Sienna vehicle with Reg No Abuja ABC 848 EQ, charms and other incriminating items.