

# Hoodlums Kill Police Officer In Ebonyi

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Ebonyi State Police command has confirmed the killing of a police officer by yet to be identified gunmen at the Union Bank Junction in Abakaliki local government area of the State.

In a statement signed by the Police public relations officer, SP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, the Police said that on the May 22, 2023 at about 8:30pm, the operatives of the command on stop and search duty at Union Bank roundabout, the area where banks are concentrated in the State Capital, engaged in a shootout with heavily armed hoodlums, whose mission were unknown in the area.

SP Onovwakpoyeya said that sadly, one of the operatives paid the supreme price, while two others were injured and are receiving treatment in the hospital. She said the hoodlums equally recorded casualties but were taken away.

The commissioner of police, Faleye Olayele appeals to members of the public to report anyone seen with a bullet wound or soliciting for treatment for the same.

Olayele enjoined members of the public to remain calm, as measures have been put in place to protect lives and property of the citizens and that the command will not rest on its oars until the perpetrators are hound down.