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Police Shoot Two Bank Robbers

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Assistant Commissioner of Police in charge of operations, Mr Charles Osegbua, who confirmed that two bandits operating on a motorcycle opened fire on a police patrol that had been on their trail after they attempted to rob a customer that had just emerged from a bank in the city centre.

"The spate of robberies involving armed men on bikes had turned banking into a risky business in Yenagoa, the state capital. "Robbers have been trailing people to the bank, and at times shooting them fatally. We have energized our patrols and they have been seeing the effects. We are on top of the situation," he said.

He told Leadership that the armed men were four and that they had trailed a customer to a bank, but good samaritans had alerted the police who then moved in with a patrol team. It was gathered that the customer had withdrawn about one million naira from the bank.

Osegbua, said at the point the hoodlums snatched the bag of money from the customer, the police patrol closed in on them. In the shoot out that occurred, two of the bandits were killed while the others escaped; a locally made pistol and six rounds of live ammunition were recovered from the men.

He said no law abiding citizen would have a locally made pistol in his hands and also open fire on police officers. He added that the identity of the robbery victim would not be revealed for safety reasons.



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