FRSC man shot dead at checkpoint

N unidentified gunman has shot and killed a Federal Road Safety Commission (FRSC) officer on duty at checkpoint near Onitsha/Owerri federal highway, Anambra State.

A reliable source told *The Nation* that the incident occurred around 2.30 p.m. on Sunday when the gunman driving a Volvo car approached the FRSC checkpoint and was lagged down by Mr P.M Isiaku, an officer.

In what appears to be a little argument, between the gunman and the road marshal, the deceased who is a senior officer heading the unit intervened but as he approached them the gunman allegedly pulled his pistol and shot the FRSC officer at the chest.

His colleagues quickly rushed the deceased to the nearby hospital, but he bled to death before From Benjamin Akpa, Onitsha

getting to the hospital, while the man sped off and headed towards Owerri.

Efforts of the Army and FRSC officials to get the unidentified gunman arrested failed as his destination was unknown.

However, the gunman may not be all that lucky as three other FRSC officers working with the deceased quickly copied down his car number before he could disappear

from sight.

When our reporter visited the FRSC unit command on Owerri Road, Onitsha, the state Commander, Mr. Mike Olu Olagunju, was seen in company of policemen from state CID Awka, making efforts to move the body apparently to Awka, Anambra State capital.

The body has been deposited at a mortuary.