

Six arrested over Imam, wife, brother's murder

SIX persons were yesterday arrested in Ogwashi-Uku, Aniocha South Local Government Area of Delta state over the murder of the Imam in-charge of the mosque in the locality, Alhaji Audu Liman, his eight-month expectant wife and his younger brother.

The cleric 51, the wife, Hajia Audu, 41, and the younger brother, identified as Isah Malam, 41, were

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reportedly shot dead Monday night when suspected armed robbers invaded their residence in the Hausa quarters.

A co-tenant, one Sanni Adamu received bullet wounds and is said to be presently undergoing intensive treatment in a General Hospital in the town.

The Nation's investigations revealed that the Imam was a

trader in foreign exchange.

Trouble started when the \$75,000 he brought from some persons was discovered to be fake.

Alhaji Liman was said to have intimidated the police where the suspects agreed to refund the amount. The sum of N25,000 was said to have been refunded with promise that the rest would be paid.

A source said that at about midnight same day, the suspects invaded the Imam's

one room apartment and shot him dead, after inflicting machete cuts on him.

The wife, who seemed to have recognised one of them, called out the name Emeka and was instantly shot dead, the bullet hitting her upper abdomen with the baby inside the womb.

Police Public Relations Officer Olabisi Okuwobi, who confirmed the attack, said one Stephen Ogogo has been arrested with five others.