

Attack on flow station: JTF kills two gunmen

ing continues on June 5.

TWO gunmen were killed yesterday in Alakiri, Okrika Local Government Area of Rivers State, during an attack on an oil flow station.

The military personnel of the Joint Task Force (JTF) were said to have shot the gunmen when they wanted to attack the flow station belonging to Shell Petroleum

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It was gathered from security sources that the gunmen had allegedly gone to the station in the early hours of yesterday to bomb it.

It was alleged that they started shooting sporadi-

cally to ward off resistance.

However, the JTF men, who had been deployed to guard the flow station countered them, killing two members of the armed gang.

It was not possible to ascertain the number of the gang and those who escaped. It was alleged that "some of the gunmen had escaped alive" while the boat they came with was taken over by the JTF

men.

The JTF spokesman, Lt. Col. Sagir Musa, said: "In the cross fire that ensued, two of the gunmen lost their lives and many items were recovered from them."

"Some of the items recovered from them include: three AK 47 rifles; 122 ammunition of 7.62 mm; 4 dynamites; three GSM handsets and one passenger boat," he said.