

BARELY hours after the convoy of Delta State Governor, Dr. Emmanuel Uduaghan was attacked by gunmen, suspected assassins were reported to have shot and severely wounded ex-Speaker, Delta State House of Assembly, Hon. Young Daniel Igbrude.

A male occupant of the car he rode in before the incident was shot and killed by the assailants.

The former Speaker was returning home from the Jay-Jay Okocha Testimo-

Gunmen attack Delta ex-Speaker

• In-law shot dead

■ Okungbowa Aiwerie, ■
Asaba/Shola O'neil,
Warri

nial Football match when he was attacked by gunmen who left a male occupant of the car dead.

Delta State PPRO, ASP Charles Muka, who confirmed the incident said that the deceased was the brother in-law of the ex-Speaker.

According to ASP Muka, "The ex-Speaker, who had attended the Jay-Jay Okocha testimonial match at the Warri Township Stadium, Thursday was trailed from Warri and attacked at Otor-Owhe before Oleh junction in Isoko North Local Government Area by gunmen. His in-law, who

accompanied him was shot dead."

The Nation gathered that the ex-Speaker sustained gunshot injuries in his leg as he tried to flee from the assassins.

It was learnt that the ex-Speaker who was accompanied by his wife escaped into a nearby forest.

Police sources confirmed that the assassins did not remove any valuable from the car, fuelling speculations that the attempt was aimed at eliminating him (ex-Speaker)

It will be recalled that Hon. Young Daniel Igbrude is a two-term member of the Delta State legislature and represents Isoko North Constituency.

He was elected Speaker on

June 2003, but was impeached on May 2006

Reliable sources hinted our correspondent that the former Speaker was critically wounded in the attack which occurred in his Owheologbo hometown.

"He (Igbrude) was shot in the leg and his case is rather severe. Family members are making arrangements to fly him out of the country for treatment abroad as I am talking to you," a very competent source stated.