

11 arrested over policeman's death

From Adimike George,
Onitsha

HOMICIDE detectives attached to the Anambra State Police Command have started investigations of the circumstances surrounding the sudden and untimely death of a mobile policeman at Nkpor-Uno in Idemili North Government Area, near Onitsha.

Eleven persons were arrested over the incident, while the traditional ruler of Nkpor, Igwe Christopher Ibegbunam, and the town union leaders, are said to have been placed under house arrest.

The incident, according to the source, occurred on Monday when two mobile policemen at Nkpor-Uno were attacked by unknown persons, killing one instantly and giving the other a severe injury.

A source said the injured policeman is now recuperating at a nearby hospital.

It was gathered that the attackers had sneaked into the duty post of the policemen disguised as masquerades, executed their plan and fled with their arms and ammunition.

The State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Mr. Emeka Chukwuemeka, who confirmed the incident and arrest of some suspects, told reporters in a telephone chat that he could not ascertain the number of arrests.