

Two suspected robbers killed in Rivers

TWO suspected armed robbers have been killed in separate incidents in a shoot-out with the police in Rivers State.

Sources said the Swift Operation Squad (SOS) Patrol Team 027, at Rumuokwuta, Port Harcourt, responded to a distress call on NTA road, where three armed men were operating.

From Bisi Olanlyi, Port Harcourt

On sighting the policemen, the hoodlums tried to escape, but were chased by the policemen.

The robbers shot at the policemen.

In the shoot-out, one of the robbers was injured. A double barrel shot gun and two cartridges were recov-

ered. He later died.

In another incident, a white Toyota Hilux van belonging to communications giant MTN was snatched at Lucky Street, Road 24, Agip Estate, Port Harcourt and the driver injured.

Sources said policemen from Rumuikpikon, Port Harcourt, recovered the vehicle and arrested a suspect.

On the way to the station,

the suspect jumped out of the police van and tried to escape.

He was shot and taken to the hospital, where he was pronounced dead.

The injured driver was taken to a private hospital in Mile One, Diobu, Port Harcourt.

Police spokesperson Rita Inoma-Abbey confirmed the incidents. She said investigations were ongoing.