Two robbery suspects killed in Warri

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TWO robbery suspects were at the weekend killed by the police in Warri, Delta State.

An AK 47 rifle allegedly snatched from a Police Corporal, who was killed by armed bandits last month, was recovered.

A gang of three was said to have engaged the police in a gun battle at Ekpan Shrine after snatching a white Toyota Hilux.

One of the robbers escaped; two were killed.

Speaking to reporters at the Area Commander's Office, Warri, the Commissioner of Police, Mamman Tsafe, said the police are on the trail of the suspect.

Tsafe said: "At about 2300hours on February 5, patrol team from Area Commander's Office, Warri, engaged three robbery suspects in a gun battle at Ekpan Shrine.

"The bandits had snatched a White Hilux with Registration No. Lagos DN 815 JJJ owned by Rev. O.J. Agbara.

"The patrol team were tipped off and chased the robbers.

"There was an exchange of gun fire.

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"Two of them, Felix Omerita (male) and Ifeanyichukwu Onyem (male) were killed; the third escaped.

"Recovered from them were a police AK 47 Rifle No. 24811 with police colour magazine with 11 rounds of ammunition allegedly snatched from the late Ernest Ubong attached to Zonal Task Force, who was killed on January 23 by these hoodlums."

Tsafe said the bodies have been deposited at Warri Central Hospital mortuary.

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