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Posted by: Bode Durojaiye, Oyo in News 2 days ago

*SARS operatives kill two

THREE persons have been killed and many others injured at the weekend at Ilogbo area of Oyo town, Oyo State, after a wall of a dilapidated residential building collapsed on them.

The building was said to have been earlier deserted by tenants following complaints about its state.

Some residents, who sell electronic gadgets near the building, used its wall as cover from the sun while displaying their products for sale.

But on the ill-fated day, the electronics sellers and other residents were sitting behind the wall in the evening when it collapsed.

Three persons died instantly, while yet to be confirmed number of others sustained injuries and taken to hospital for treatment.

The whereabouts of the owner of the house was still unknown as at yesterday.

But angry youths protested over the incident, storming the building with an intention to burn it.

The timely intervention of the Alaafin of Oyo, Oba Lamidi Olayiwola Adeyemi III, saved the situation from degenerating into violence.

The Alaafin reportedly sent an emissary to commiserate with the deceased families. He also appealed for calm and peaceful conduct of residents.

In another development, men of the Oyo/Ogbomoso annex of the Special

Anti-robbery Squad (SARS) have foiled a robbery operation at Mabolaje area of the ancient town and killed two of the robbers.

The Nation learnt that the gunmen robbed a woman of her Toyota Camry on Sallah day, which was reported to the SARS men.

Following a tip-off after an intensive search, the SARS operatives traced the stolen vehicle and engaged the robbers in a shootout, which led to the killing of two of the three-man gang.

A source said the third robber was arrested after sustaining gun-shot wounds and was helping the men of

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