

# Gunmen kill two, injure policeman

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Gunmen yesterday killed two persons and injured a mobile policeman at Odun-Ade Market, Amukoko in Ajeromi-Ifelodun Local Government Area of Lagos State.

They were said to have stormed the area at about 9:30am on two motorcycles and laid ambush for a bank customer with huge money to deposit.

They reportedly shot him dead and carted away his money.

The mobile policeman, who was on the scene, engaged them in gun duel and shot one of them, Monday Ohobor, a Beninois, on the legs.

The policeman, it was gathered, was overpowered by the gunmen, who shot him on his hand and ribs and fled through Oregie area of Ajegunle with their injured colleague.

But operatives of Ajeromi Police Division were led by the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) Aminu Gusau, a Chief Superintendent of Police (CSP) chased and caught the injured man and two others.

Before their arrest, the gunmen had reportedly attempted to silence their injured colleague but killed a mechanic, Idris Taiwo, instead around Kola bus stop in Ajegunle.

An eyewitness, Adetunji Bakare, the gunmen shot sporadically to evade police arrest.

He said: "Some of the robbers were able to escape on their motorcycle but the policemen put up a good fight and arrested others. The injured robber was among those arrested and when he was searched, three live bullets were found on him.

"But the man claimed he was not an armed robber. He claimed that he was a robbery victim and that the criminals carried him on their motorcycle after collecting his N600,000 and phones. He said the armed robbers put the bullets in his pocket and that he thought it was his house keys. He claimed that he sells cars at Cotonou.