

Ishawo killings: suspect dies in hospital

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One of the gunmen who wreaked havoc on Ishawo, Ikorodu, Lagos, two weeks ago, yesterday died in hospital following an encounter with the police.

The gunmen killed a soldier, four policemen and seven others when they invaded Ishawo. Endurance Ominisan alias Mighty died barely 48 hours after his arrest on Easter Sunday in his girlfriend's place at 20, Joel Adebolu Street, Ibeshe, Ikorodu

Mighty, described as an Arogbo Ijaw from Ondo State, was trailed to Ibeshe by the Inspector-General of Police (IGP) Intelligence Response Team (IRT) operatives.

It was gathered that a Turkish made Fatih 13 pistol marked 12TF00126, with four expended and five live ammunition were recovered from him.

The IRT went after the gunmen following the directive of IGP Ibrahim Idris to all police units and commands in Lagos and Ogun States to get them dead or alive.

According to a source, Mighty, who rented the home for his lover, went to hide there, when he learnt about the security forces' planned attack on the creek last weekend.

"While other policemen were in the creek waiting for signal to carry on with the operation, IRT got information that the masterminds were fleeing the creek and one of them was at

his girlfriend's place at Ibeshe. He was followed and the house surrounded.

"Mighty escaped to the roof of the house from where he fired several shots with his pistol on the IRT. The team responded swiftly and wounded him. He was eventually brought down from the roof and rushed to the General Hospital, Ikorodu where he died.

"But before his death, he mentioned one America, Stone, Vika and others as his gang members, who participated in the killing of the four policemen and soldier.

"The kingpin confessed to have masterminded the kidnap of Iba monarch, Turkish school girls and many others within the zone."

Deputy Inspector-General of Police (DIG) Information Communication Technology (ICG), Foluso Adebajo confirmed the death of the kingpin. He said other suspects had been apprehended.