

# Two cops killed, others injured as gunmen attack Imo police station

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Gunmen on Friday night attacked Obowo Divisional Police headquarters, located at Umulowe autonomous community, and killed two policemen who were on duty.

The hoodlums also injured three other cops who resisted them from gaining access into the headquarters.

*The Nation* learnt that the incident had caused panic in and around the area.

This is even as security operatives drafted from the command's headquarters in Owerri had taken over the area.

A source who confided in our correspondent disclosed that the hoodlums who operated in a vehicle met stiff opposition from policemen who were on duty when they tried to gain access into the police premises.

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Displeased by the cops' action who resisted them, the hoodlums opened fire at the officers, killing two policemen while three were shattered by their gun bullets.

We also gathered that one of the hoodlums was killed in the gun duel but the hoodlums drove off with the corpse of their member.

A source said "two policemen died in the incident. Three were wounded. One of the hoodlums was also killed but they drove off with him. The policemen who were killed were the ones who repelled them. It was an unfortunate development."

A Spokesperson for the state police command, Orlando Ikeokwu, confirmed the incident and said that two policemen were killed by the hoodlums.

He also said that the three other policemen who were wounded during the incident had been discharged from a local hospital where they were rushed and transferred to a better hospital in the state capital.

Ikeokwu, told our correspondent that the command had drafted crack teams of detectives to the area and had commenced investigation, immediately.

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