

Gunmen kill two policemen, burn five police vehicles in A'lbom

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Gunmen suspected to be members of Eastern Security Network (ESN) on Saturday killed no fewer than two policemen in Akwa Ibom.

It was gathered the hoodlums, who invaded Ikono Police Divisional Headquarters at Ibiaku Ntok Okpo around 3 am, burnt down five police vehicles and also injured a policewoman on night duty.

Police spokesperson, SP Odiko MacDon and Chief Press Secretary to Chairman of Ikono Local Government Area, Mr Nsisong Ntuk, confirmed the incident.

Ntuk, in a statement, said the hoodlums even hoisted their flag at the police station.

He said the chairman has been taking great measures to ensure normalcy was restored to the area and other parts of the LGA.

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He said: "Today, Saturday 1st May 2021, the Executive Chairman of Ikono Local Government Area received a distress call about the invasion of the Police Station at Ibiaku Ntok Okpo by criminals alleged to be members of the Eastern Security Network (ESN) by 3 am.

"In the ensuing melee two police officers were killed, five vehicles burnt, and a policewoman on night duty was critically injured, the flag hoisted at the police station stolen and destructive acts carried out by the invaders."

He assured the chairman, in collaboration with relevant security agencies, was working assiduously to ensure the situation was contained and necessary measures put in place to forestall further reoccurrences.