

## Four gunmen killed in Imo police station attack

**F**OUR gunmen who attacked a police station in Imo State have been killed, police said yesterday.

The gunmen, suspected to be members of the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB), attacked Omuma divisional police headquarters in Oru East Local Government Area, in the early hours of yesterday.

Two days ago, gunmen razed the Umuguma divisional police headquarters in Owerri West council of the state,

killing one person and burning vehicles in the vicinity.

The same day, the house of ex-ambassador, George Obiozor, president-general of Ohanaeze Ndigbo, was set ablaze.

Police spokesman Mike Abbatam confirmed the attack, saying the gunmen were repelled by the security operatives who engaged them in a shootout.

Abbatam four of the attackers were killed, while the others escaped.

He said five undetonated improvised explosive devices were recovered and removed.

"On March 20, 2022, at about 0300 hours, hoodlums suspected to be members of the proscribed Indigenous People of Biafra/Eastern Security Network terrorist group came in large numbers with various calibres of Improvised Explosive Devices to Omuma police station shooting, but were swiftly repelled by the ever

gallant and combat-ready Imo Police Command's tactical teams and operatives of the DSS who responded immediately, positioning themselves professionally and strategically," he said.

"The Police operatives engaged the hoodlums in a fierce gun duel and in the process four of the bandits were neutralised on the spot, while others scampered into the bush having suffered a huge defeat."

### 20.75kg black liquid cocaine