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One killed, council HQ burnt in Anambra

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Some buildings at the Nnewi South local government headquarters, Ukpor, have been set ablaze by gunmen, who also killed a security man.

The incident, *The Nation* learnt, took place early yesterday.

Tension has heightened in Nnewi South, as residents have raised the alarm that they were in danger.

Following the invasion, most of the residents have vacated the sleepy community to different locations for fear of another attack.

A political leader in the state, who spoke with *The Nation* on condition of anonymity, said the era of 2021 had resurfaced in Anambra. This website uses cookies to improve your experience. We'll assume you're ok with this,

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Officials of the State Fire Service were on the scene to fight the fire.

A resident said," It happened between 12 and 1am when people had gone to sleep and we heard gunshot and started panicking. We heard our secretariat was on fire. As I'm talking with you, policemen have taken over everywhere in Ukpor. My brother, we're in real trouble. These boys have come back again."

For some months now, areas like Orsumoghu, Azia, Mbosi, Lilu have been taken over by the hoodlums.

Governor Chukwuma Soludo has ordered security operatives to locate the hoodlums and dislodge them.

He gave the order after visiting the scene of the incident with the Commissioner of Police, Echeng Echeng, and other security chiefs.

He said those behind the attack must be fished out to face the law.

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