were later declared dead.

Orderly killed in attack on Rivers APC governorship running mate

HE governorship running mate of the All Progressives Congress in Rivers State, Dr. Innocent Barikor, has escaped a gun attack in Port Harcourt, the state capital.

His police orderly was not fortunate as the gunmen shot and killed him on the spot.

Barikor was said to have left his office at the GRA on Tuesday night for a meeting

From Mike Odiegwu, Port Harcourt

in an undisclosed location where some gunmen were waiting for him outside.

A source said Barikor was attacked in front of a popufar nightclub in GRA.

"Barikor escaped by the whiskers but his police orderly was not fortunate because the bullets hit and killed him

on the spot," he said.

The Deputy Publicity Secretary of APC, Darlington Nwauju, confirmed that the party's running mate was attacked by assassins lamenting that his police orderly was killed in the incident.

Nwauju called for a thorough investigations into the incident and asked the Inspector-General of Police to weigh in.

Police spokesperson Grace Iringe-Koko said it was not a case of assassination.

She said: "It was not an assassination. Actually, a policeman was shot. I think he was the target because they saw him with a rifle. Nothing happened to the candidate. We are investigating the incident and the place has been surrounded".

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