

Court convicts vandals who killed seven DSS operatives of murder



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The convicts were found guilty of conspiracy and murder of seven officers of the Department of State Security ([DSS](#)), at Ishawo Creek in Ikorodu area on September 14, 2015.

However, the trial judge has deferred sentencing of the convicts till November 14 after hearing of the allocutus plea of the convicts.

The court found the first defendant, Ododomu, guilty of conspiracy to commit murder, murder, possession of firearms and felony.

While Monday, who is the second defendant, was found guilty of conspiracy to commit murder and felony.

Justice Ramon Oshodi of an Ikeja High Court yesterday convicted two pipeline vandals, Clement Ododomu and Tiwei Monday of murder.

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The State government had alleged that on September 14, 2015, the Lagos State Command of DSS received a distress report from one Mr. Nwosu from The Sun Newspaper about the kidnap of his wife at their residence.

The command swiftly dispatched a nine-man team to carry out a surveillance operation to ascertain the location of the kidnappers who were negotiating for a ransom.

The officers were ambushed, but the suspects were arrested following a distress text message sent by Mr. Martins Ajayi to the station, that they had been ambushed by vandals and their weapons seized.