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Police kill armed robbery suspect in Sokoto

THE police in Sokoto early yesterday killed a suspected armed robber on Shuni-Dange-Tureta road when a 30-man gang of armed robbers barricaded the road at around 3 a.m. His remains were displayed this morning at the Dange/Shuni police station for the people to see and probably identify him. The police said the remaining 29 robbers fled and that the surrounding area was being combed to ensure they were arrested. State Police Commissioner Sa'idu Daya told newsmen that the hoodlums had barricaded the road but ran out of luck when the first vehicle they stopped was a police patrol vehicle. He said the men in the patrol vehicle then opened fire on the robbers killing one. Daya vowed that the police would redouble their efforts to ensure the arrest of the fleeing robbers. A sword and a bag were recovered from the body of the deceased armed robber.