

Police kill two robbery suspects in Kaduna

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A TEAM of Operation Yaki, a security outfit established for quick response to any emergency in Kaduna, yesterday killed two members of a gang of armed robbers during an operation at the Federal Housing Authority, Goni Gora, in the outskirts of Kaduna city centre.

The Deputy Commissioner of Police, Mr. Isaac Eke who paraded the corpses of the dead robbers said a member of the robbers sustained serious injuries while another two escaped with bullet wounds.

He said the robbers who exact numbers were not known were operating in the area when an Operation Yaki team received a distress call and they immediately went to the scene of the incident.

The police chief called that on seeing the police, the hoodlums started a shoot out, adding that the police team had

to for re-enforcement when the fire works from the robbers became heavy.

He also disclosed that a member of the gang was arrested unhurt while one Ismaila Idris who was attacked by the robbers died as a result of Machete cuts he received shortly after he was taking to Saint Gerard Hospital in Kaduna.

Various dangerous weapons were recovered from the robbers including a short double barrel locally made pistol, two cartridges, six expanded cartridges, 7 x 7. 56 expanded ammunition, a machete, an iron cutter, four mobile handsets, a car master key and the sum of 13,595 Naira cash.

Other items recovered from the robbers include a female handbag containing National identity Card, drivers licence

belonging to One Mrs. Florence Baba Sanda of Innih Crescent Ribadu Contonment, Kaduna and other valuables.

The police also paraded 20 criminals from various hideouts in Kaduna including Bayan Dutse, Narayi, Hayin Ruwa Rigasa, Badarawa, Kawo and Tudun Wada, all on the outskirts of Kaduna metropolis.

The suspects according to the police boss were arrested with large quantities of substances believed to be Indian hemp.

Mr. Isaac Eke told journalists yesterday that the suspected hard drug dealers will be handed over to the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) in the state for further investigation.

He warned that Kaduna is a "no go" area for criminals as the police and other law enforcement agencies are poised to rid it of all criminals.