

Robbery suspects shoot mobile police in Warri

EBENEZER ADUROKIYA-WARRI

A yet-to-be-identified mobile police cop has been shot by three robbery suspects in Warri, on Monday morning.

He was allegedly shot three times in the chest by the hoodlums along the ever busy Nigerian Ports Authority (NPA) road.

The incident took place at the NPA roundabout, a stone throw from a police post manned by men of the Nigerian Navy, MOPOL, soldiers and other paramilitary outfits.

The cop was allegedly shot in company of three others in a car.

He was said to be escorting one of the occupants who had just withdrawn some money from a bank.

But unknown to them, they were being trailed by the robbers.

The robbers were said to be dressed in black and masked.

There was pandemonium in the area as petty traders and passersby scampered for safety after gunshots rented the air.

An eyewitness, Chigozie Joshua, who spoke with the **Nigerian Tribune** in pidgin English, said he was hawking his wears when he saw two of the robbers stumped out of their **Toyota Corolla** car and shot the policeman three times in the car and took away the money.

He said the robbers, however, spared the other two occupants after making away with the money in a paper bag.