

Suspected armed robber shot dead, 2 others arrested after shooting DPO who answered distress call in Ogun

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A SUSPECTED member of a seven-man armed robbery gang which invaded a hotel in Ogun State and shot the Divisional Police Officer in Ogbere Division, CSP Adeyinka Akingbade, has been killed in a shoot-out with police, while two other members have been arrested by operatives of FSARS.

Also recovered from the suspects were two AK-47 rifles, one of which was taken from the DPO after he was shot.

The incident reportedly occurred at about 7:00a.m on Wednesday.

Disclosing this in a statement issued and signed by him, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Abimbola Oyeyemi, said that the DPO received a distress call that armed robbers had invaded a hotel in Itele-Ijebu.

This, he said, made CSP Akingbade to lead his men to the scene, unknown to him that the armed men had laid an ambush.

Nigerian Tribune learnt that the hoodlums shot the DPO many times at close range, hitting him on the legs, hands and stomach, after which they left with his AK-47 rifle.

"On receiving the information, the Commissioner of Police, Ahmed Iliyasu, gave

a marching order to the officer in-charge of the state's Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (F-SARS), DSP Uba Adams, to fish out the hoodlums within 24 hours.

"The FSARS team swung into action immediately and their efforts paid off after about six hours when the hideout of the robbers in a bush at Itele-Ijebu was located," the PPRO said.

"At the end of the encounter, two of the robbers, identified as Wasiu Ganiyu and Azeez Komolafe, were arrested, while the leader of the gang, simply known as Mungo Park, was shot dead.

"Others escaped with bullet wounds while two AK-47 rifles, including the one taken from the DPO, and 120 rounds of ammunition were recovered from them," Oyeyemi stated further.

The FSARS operatives were reported to be combing the bush with the hope of getting other members of the gang.

Iliyasu was said to have described the shot DPO as one of the best performing in his command, praying for his quick recovery.

A police source told the **Nigerian Tribune** that the DPO had gone through surgery and was in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU) of the hospital where the surgery was performed.

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