

about it. I don't know what He alleged that after killing he stated further, adding that found culpable. decide to change or relocate.

Security operatives conduct stop-and-search over killing of policeman in Ekiti

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ARMED soldiers and police-
men, as well as other security
operatives, have begun stop-
and-search in Ado Ekiti, the
capital of Ekiti State, follow-
ing the killing of a policeman
last Thursday by suspected
armed robbers.
It will be recalled that the
policeman, Sergeant Kamoru

Momoh, was shot dead on
new Iyin-Ilawe road by some
gunmen near a filling station
at Basiri area of Ado Ekiti
around 8:13 a.m.
The suspected armed rob-
bers were reported to have
held the petrol station's at-
tendants hostage, and carted
away over N1 million.
Nigerian Tribune learnt
that the robbers, on sight-
ing the police Hilux vehicle

driven by the late policeman,
who seemed to be on their
trail, blocked the road at the
NTA junction and started
shooting at the policeman,
killing him.
Other security operatives
involved in the stop-and-
search operations were from
the Nigeria Security and Civil
Defence Corps (NSCDC), Ni-
gerian Immigration Service,
Department of State Services

(DSS), among others.
The operatives were seen
on Ado-Ilawe road, Ado-Iyin
road, Ado-Ijan-Ikare road,
Ado-Ikere-Akure road, Ado-I-
woroko-Ifaki road and the in-
ner city like Ijigbo, Okesa and
Okeyinmi areas.
Movements of motorists
became slow within Ado Ekiti
metropolis, as motorcycle
riders were made to disem-
bark.

Police Public Relations Of-
ficer, Ekiti State command,
DSP Caleb Ikechukwu, said
the thoroughness of the spe-
cial forces' operations since
last week could be as a result
of the killing of the police ser-
geant.
According to him, "stop-
and-search was part of the
operations of the special
task force. I think they have
the constitutional power to

carry out routine checks on
people moving in and to test
their compliance to simple
rules.
"Let me emphasise here
that the special force began
its operations in Ekiti two
months ago, and since then,
they have been carrying out
their jobs in a civilised way;
no harassment, no intimidat-
ion of any member of the
public."