

Mob burns 2 suspected robbers in Delta

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TWO suspected armed robbers were, on Wednesday, burnt to death by a mob at Refinery Junction, along Effurun-Sapele Road in Uvwie Local Government Area of Delta State.

This is coming as operatives of the state police command are yet to return to their duty posts, except those on special assignments, like those guarding bullion vans.

It was gathered that the two suspects had earlier shot and

wounded a teacher working at the Army Day Secondary School, Effurun, which is located inside the 3 Battalion, Nigerian Army, Effurun.

An eyewitness told the **Nigerian Tribune** that the suspects dispossessed the female teacher of her handbag containing N200,000, at a location close to Okoloba Junction and fled the scene.

It was further gathered that the hoodlums, who were operating in a tricycle, later headed for a drinking spot near Ekpan police station,

ordered everyone to lie face down, after which they (customers) were dispossessed of their valuables, including mobile phones and cash.

Angered by the activities of the hoodlums, some youths were said to have summoned courage, mobilised themselves and went after them.

The mob, witnesses said, chased the hoodlums down to Refinery Junction, where they were apprehended, necklaced with used tyres, doused with petrol and set

ablaze.

When the **Nigerian Tribune** arrived at the scene about two hours later, passersby and traders were seen discussing the incident.

Meanwhile, the teacher earlier robbed of her money is said to be receiving medical attention at the Central Hospital in Warri.

When contacted, the state's Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, confirmed the incident, saying, "it is true."