

Security agencies kill 2 suspected robbers in Delta

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POLICE operatives in 'A' Division of the Delta State Police Command, Ughelli, with the assistance of members of vigilance group in the area, have killed two armed robbery suspects during a gun duel.

One of the suspects reportedly escaped with bullet wounds after the police foiled the gang's attempt to rob customers who were leaving a bank's ATM at about 3.00 p.m on Sunday after withdrawing some money.

The Delta State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, confirmed that the police had received a distress call that the gang of three armed robbers were operating close to one of the new generation banks along Market Road in Ughelli and they swung into action immediately.

Onovwakpoyeya disclosed further that when the police operatives got to the scene, the robbers entered their car and fled, but the operatives went after them, which resulted in a gun-duel along Isoko Road, leading to the killing of two of the three robbers, while the third escaped with bullet wound.

It was gathered that two locally-made pistols, live cartridges, one expended cartridge and one Golf 3 car with registration number. AJ 220 EFR, were recovered from the suspects, while the police are still on the trail of the fleeing wounded suspect.

Just Wednesday last week, a gang of three-armed robbers that specialised in robbing unexpected POS operators, trailed a POS operator from one of the new generation banks in Ughelli metropolis to his house in Uduere Street, shot him dead and carted away his money.

Two of a five-man gang of armed robbers terrorising Ighwrekan and its environs in Ughelli South Local Government Area, it will be recalled, were also caught after robbing a POS operator at Ighwrekan community and were killed and burnt by a mob.