

Gunmen kill vigilante in Delta

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THE land dispute between the Ogwashi Uku community in Aniocha South Council area and its neighbour, Ibusa in Aniocha North of Delta took a dramatic turn on Monday as a member of Aboh-Ogwashi vigilante group was shot dead.

Gunmen had stormed the Ogwa meeting hall of the Okwabani of Aboh

-Ogwashi in three vehicles Monday morning, shooting sporadically to cause tension in the sleepy satellite town.

The victim, identified as Mr Chukwuwike Alawo, was allegedly shot at close range with several others including the leader of the vigilante group and the task force on land recovery, Mr Nnamdi Nwaebonnor, who were seriously injured.

Nigerian Tribune reports that some people were bulldozing a parcel of land behind Admiralty University of Nigeria along Asaba-Ibusa-Ogwashi Uku road when members of the Aboh vigilante group accosted them.

The workers were said to have abandoned their equipment and a pump action gun was recovered by the vigilante members.

Reacting to the attack, the

Okwaubani of Aboh-Ogwashi, Chief Jude Obidi, said he was not too sure whether the attackers were from Ibusa or are elements from his predecessors in office.

When contacted, the state police public relations officer, DSP Bright Edefe, confirmed the attack on the Ogwa and killing of the vigilante member, saying investigation into the matter had commenced.