

# Gunmen kill four police officers in Anambra

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**Nigerian Tribune** that the gunmen arrived in the area at about 1:30 a.m., and immediately launched an attack on the police facility. The source said four policemen, including a female operative, lost their lives in the attack.

**G**UNMEN on Wednesday morning attacked a police station at Atani, headquarters of Ogbaru Local Government Area of Anambra State.

A source informed the

Meanwhile, the state police command has con-

firmed the attack.

Spokesperson for the command, DSP Toochukwu Ikenga, told the **Nigerian Tribune** in a telephone conversation that: "The hoodlums came at about 1:00 a.m., and unluckily for us, four police operatives paid the supreme price.

"The Commissioner of

Police, Echeng Echeng, on hearing of the attack, immediately mobilised men of the command from various units to the area.

"The hoodlums were still there when the CP personally led men of the command to the affected area, and the timely arrival saved the day and the hoodlums

were successfully repelled, and the facility was saved.

"We have commenced intelligence already, and we hope to unravel the persons behind the attack."

The police spokesperson was, however, unable to state the identities of the attackers, or the reason for their action.

There have been series of attacks on police and other government facilities in Anambra State for quite a while, with the governor of the state, Professor Chukwuma Soludo, assuring that those responsible would not be allowed to continue with their acts of terror.

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