

# Gunmen attack Apostle Suleiman in Edo, 3 policemen, 2 drivers, one other killed

## •Ifeanyi Ubah's attackers arrested —Soludo

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SOME gunmen attacked the founder of Omega Fire Ministry, Apostle Jonson Suleiman, in Edo State on Friday evening, killing three policemen, two drivers and a lady believed to be the cleric's housemaid.

One other person was also said to be missing in the household of the clergyman after the attack.

Saturday Tribune gathered that the attack happened at about 5.00 p.m.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Chidi Nwabuzor, confirmed the incident late Friday evening.

"The attack on Johnson Suleiman was true, confirmed. He was attacked by hoodlums yet unknown at about 5pm (1700 hours).

"Two of his drivers, three policemen and a female househelp were murdered; one missing.

"Upon alarm raised, the police moved to the scene, gunned down one of the hoodlums and recovered one of the vehicles used.

"Currently, Apostle Suleiman is safe and sound," Nwabuzor told newsmen last night.

The police spokesman added that investigation was ongoing, just as he declined to volunteer further infor-

mation.

Meanwhile, the Anambra State governor, Professor Chukwuma Soludo, has disclosed that some of the gunmen who participated in an assassination attempt on Senator Ifeanyi Ubah have been arrested.

Soludo made the disclosure on Friday when he visited Enugwu-Ukwu community in Njikoka Local Government Area where the attack happened about a month ago.

Ubah had lost four security aides and two personal assistants during the attack but he escaped in his bulletproof car.

However, during the burial

of Pa Boniface Nwankwo, father of Honourable Dozie Nwankwo who represents Dunukofia, Njikoka, Anaocha Federal Constituency in the House of Representatives, Soludo announced that the culprits had been arrested and that security operatives were on the trail of the other members of the gang who are at large.

Soludo said: "Three weeks ago, it was in this same community that some elements chose to attack Senator Ifeanyi Ubah. I want to tell you that we have arrested a number of those involved in that attack. We are still on the trail of the remaining people."