

3 killed as gunmen attack police, vigilance group in Anambra

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GUNMEN on Friday night attacked police and vigilante facilities at Abagana in Njikoka Local Government Area of Anambra State.

A source from the area said there was a rain of bullets in the area at about 9:00 pm and that the incident lasted for some minutes.

A resident of the area, Nnaemeka Obitube, said at least three vigilante operatives were gunned down by the gunmen, while several persons who live around the area sustained bullet wounds.

"It was a football match that kept me outside at that time. The gunmen came prepared, they shot three vigilante operatives on arrival, then drove down to Enugwu-Ukwu, turned back and stopped in front of the police station and vigilante office."

The state police command's spokesperson, DSP Too-chukwu Ikenga, in his reaction said the vigilante operatives killed by the gunmen were two and not three.

He also added that police operatives resisted the bandits, causing them to flee.

"They only threw petrol bombs on old structures in the station which affected the building partially."