

① Police neutralise suspect who killed two cops in Delta

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OPERATIVES of the Delta State police command have killed a member of a gang suspected to have killed two police officers in the state, and arrested two others.

This was disclosed in a statement by the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Bright Edafe, on Tuesday.

Edafe said during the counter, police operatives also recovered three AK-47 rifles and one assault rifle from the gunmen.

✓ He said: "In response to an attack on police operatives attached to Dragon Patrol team on July 23, at about 11:40a.m. while on stop-and-search duty at Oleh roundabout by suspected bandits who shot and killed two operatives and set the patrol vehicle ablaze, the Commissioner of Police, Delta State, Wale Abass, detailed a combined team of policemen attached to Ozoro Area command, Dragon patrol to go after the attackers.

"With the support of troops

from the Nigerian Army's 63 Brigade and members of the local vigilante, the men swung into action.

"During the operation, the combined team engaged the hoodlums in a gun duel and subdued them, with some of them fleeing into the bush, having sustained gunshot injuries.

"The team traced their blood to a river where one AK-47 rifle was recovered on the same date of the incident.

"The response team sustained the tempo and continued the operation on July 24.

"Acting on credible intelligence, the team stormed Erewa community bush in Isoko North Local Government Area, where they engaged the remnant of the bandits in a gun duel, neutralised one of them, arrested two others, recovered two more AK-47 rifles, one assault rifle, four magazines and 12 7.62 AK-47 ammunition.

"Effort is still on to track down other members of the syndicate."