

Police foil robbery, kill one

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THE police in the early hours of Wednesday killed a suspected armed robber during a failed robbery incident at the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation depot at Oke-Oyi, in Ilorin East Local Government Area of Kwara State.

The robbers, numbering eight, who reportedly scaled the fence to get entry into the depot, according to findings, arrived the scene at about 1am with arms.

The Commissioner of Police, Kwara State Command, Alhaji Buka Maina, who showed the corpse of the suspected robber to journalists, alleged that on arrival, the robbers attacked the depot's security men at the gate.

He said the arguments between the robbers and the security guards alerted the riot policemen attached to the depot.

He said, "The robbers wanted the security guards to take them to where the riot policemen were, but the security guards were, shouting that 'we don't have riot policemen here,' that put our men at alert and they distributed themselves to strategic places and luckily we were able to battle with them and killed one of them in the process while others escaped with varying degrees of bullet wounds."