

# Robbers on the rampage in Delta

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**B**ANDITS went on the rampage in Delta State on Saturday, killing and maiming their victims.

Among their victims was an employee of Delta Broadcasting Service, Mr. Francis Onochie, who was killed by the hoodlums in Ughelli, headquarters of Ughelli North Local Government.

It was learnt that Onochie and his colleagues, who came to Ughelli ran into the bandits on Oghenevweta Street in Ughelli.

The driver of their vehicle retreated on sighting the bandits, who eventually pursued them with a 190 Mercedes

Benz Car.

Onochie was shot dead while his colleagues sustained fatal injuries.

Thereafter, the bandits besieged the residence of a spare-part dealer in the town and carted away N2m.

The robbers also injured members of the family of the businessman.

Similarly, Ika South LG, Agbor lost two new Toyota Corolla cars to the bandits on Saturday.

It was learnt that the robbers snatched the cars at gunpoint from the Director of Personnel Management and leader of legislative arm of the council.

Findings by our corre-

spondent revealed that the director lost her brand new car, marked LG 10 AGB along Benin/Asaba Highway at 2:45 pm while the lawmaker forfeited his own with registration number LG 03AGB at his residence located in Boji-Boji Owa, Ika North-East Local Government Area.

The incident was reported at Agbor Police Station.

The Commissioner of Police, State Command, Mr. Udom Ekpoudom, said he was not happy about the latest development in the state.

Ekpoudom, however, said fresh strategies had been devised by the command to arrest the ugly trend.