

# City CRIME

## Two robbers killed, four arrested in shoot-out with police

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**T**HE police in Lagos on Wednesday night killed two armed robbery suspects and arrested four others after a shoot-out that lasted for about 20 minutes.

Besides, five motorcycles allegedly used by the robbers were recovered and taken to the Iponri Police Station.

The corpses of the dead robbers were on Thursday, brought to the Lagos State Police Command headquarters, GRA, Ikeja, before they were taken to the mortuary.

Our correspondent learnt that at about 9.30pm on

Wednesday, motorists going towards the Lagos Island through the Eko Bridge were seen making sharp U-turn and driving back to Alaka end of the bridge.

Some of the vehicles' windshields were smashed and their panels dented just as the occupants shouted out that robbers were operating on the bridge to alert other motorists who were still moving in the direction of the robbers.

The motorists, it was learnt, met a police patrol team attached to the Iponri Police Station and informed the policemen that there were robbers on the bridge.

The policemen reportedly reinforced and moved towards the bridge and when they got close to the armed robbers, they discovered that some vehicles were being robbed.

A gun battle ensued between the policemen and the robbers. Two of the bandits were killed on the spot while four others were arrested. A few others escaped.

Spokesman for the command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, a superintendent of police, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Thursday.

Ojajuni said two locally-made double-barrelled pistols, three live cartridges, one sledge hammer used in breaking vehicles' windshields were recovered from the robbery suspects.

The robbers were said to have gone to the scene on five motorcycles and all the motorcycles were later impounded by the policemen.

The PPRO said the policemen recovered some handbags from the robbers, adding that two women, whose identity cards were in the bags, had come to claim them.

Our correspondent learnt that the robbers had become a major source of worry to motorists and passengers using the bridge, especially between 7 and 10pm.

## Murder: Police declare Ogboru, five others wanted

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**T**HE Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Sunday Ehindero, on Thursday, declared the governorship candidate of the Democratic Peoples Party in Delta State, Mr. Great Ogoru, wanted.

Besides, Chief Julius Ogboru, G.E.S. Ogboru, Theo Ogboru, Clever Egbeji and Elvis Edoja were also declared wanted.

The six men are wanted in connection with cases of arson and murder of one Dr.

a reward of N2million to anybody who could give information that would lead to the arrest of the suspects.

The statement urged anyone who has information on the whereabouts of any of the suspects to contact any police station nationwide.

A member of the Peoples Democratic Party and relation of the victims, Dr. Okpako Kings, had earlier called on the IG to ensure that the culprits were brought to book.