

Suspected robbers kill UNIJOS don

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A university don, Prof. Joseph Kolawole was on Sunday gunned down by suspected armed robbers in Jos, the Plateau State capital.

Kolawole, who until his death was the Dean of the School of Postgraduate Studies of the University of Jos, was ambushed by some robbery suspects when he and his wife were returning to their house at Rayfield area of Jos on Sunday evening from an outing.

The murder of the university don came less than a year after his colleague who was the Deputy Vice-Chancellor, Aca-

demics, Prof. Johnny Onyeka, was abducted and murdered.

Our correspondent gathered that Kolawole and his wife were in the car when the robbers accosted them around 7pm on Sunday. It was gathered that in the bid to escape he hit an electric pole which brought the car to an instant halt.

The robbery suspects thereby caught up with them along Little Rayfield, almost opposite the residence of the Gbong Gwom Jos. The robbers said to be numbering about six then, shot the don and gave his wife severe beating.

They thereafter ransacked

the vehicle and collected money and other valuables including three GSM handsets.

The don was said to have been rushed to the Jos University Teaching Hospital where he eventually gave up the ghost in the early hours of Monday. His wife is said to be receiving treatment.

The Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Dominic Iornumbe, who confirmed the incident in an interview with our correspondent in Jos on Monday, said that the police had swung into investigation.

Iornumbe, a Deputy Superintendent of Police, said that so far no arrest had been made.