

Police kill 2 suspected robbers

THE police in Lagos on Friday shot dead two robbery suspects on the Tin-can/Coconut Road in Apapa.

The News Agency of Nigeria quoted the state Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Frank Mba, that the two other members of the gang escaped with bullet wounds.

He said the suspects blocked the road and were robbing motorists of their

belongings when the anti-robbery policemen from the Apapa Police Division ran into them.

He stated that one locally made pistol and three live cartridges were recovered from the suspects.

The police also foiled a robbery attempt on a new generation bank at Apongbon on Lagos Island.

A source said that the police intervened as the

robbers, numbering about 50, struggled to break the bank's vault.

The source, who pleaded anonymity, said the robbers arrived at the bank's premises in a number of buses.

"They successfully gained entry into the banking hall but could not break into the vault. The robbers, however, ran away when they heard the police siren," he said.