

# Bandits kill two, injure one in Delta

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**G**UNMEN on Thursday killed two persons in a daylight operation in Asaba, the Delta State capital, which caught the police and others security agencies unawares.

One person was also injured in the incident while activities were paralysed in the city, as information about the incident spread around the state capital.

The deceased and the survivor were employees of a popular electrical company based in the state capital.

Police sources told our correspondent that the

bandits, on sighting three men travelling in a Toyota Hilux jeep belonging to the electrical company, thought they were policemen on surveillance.

Consequently, it was gathered that the bandits, who were armed with sophisticated weapons, opened fire on the vehicle at close range.

One of the occupants of the vehicle died on the spot while another one was confirmed dead on arrival at the Federal Medical Centre, Asaba.

The third person was said to be in a critical condition at the hospital as at press-time

on Thursday. The electrical company was hurriedly closed amidst wailing by its employees.

The police made futile attempts to apprehend the bandits, who embarked on sporadic shooting in a desperate escape bid.

The spokesman of the state police command, Mr. Charles Muka, who confirmed the incident, however, said that only one person died.

Muka said two others who sustained injuries were rushed to the hospital, adding that the police were searching for the fleeing bandits.