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Police kill four robbery suspects in Lagos

August 25, 2012 by Comfort Oseghale

Ilasamaja, Lagos and its environs became a Mecca of sorts

on Friday morning as residents trooped out to the police station in the area to see the bodies of four robbery suspects killed in a duel with the police earlier on the same day.

SATURDAY PUNCH gathered that seven robbers had attacked a residential building on Ibadan Street, Ilasamaja, at about 2 am on Friday.

The robbers had already gained access into the building and had begun operation when a distress call was placed to the Ilasamaja Police Division.

The anti-robbery division of the station was said to have swung into action and arrived at the scene where the residents of the building had been held hostage.

In the ensuing shootout with the robbers, four members of the gang were killed, while three escaped with bullet wounds.

Jubilant residents trooped to the police station on the Apapa/Oshodi Expressway to look at the corpses of the robbers, who were said to have been terrorising the community for some time.

To the surprise of the residents, the dead robbers turned out to be persons known to the community.

Three of them were alleged to be members of the Baale chapter of the National Union of Road Transport Workers, while one was said to be a member of the neighbourhood Oodua Peoples Congress.

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Tunde August 25, 2012 at 12:28 am

Are they Ibos?

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Paulinus Afam Obi August 25, 2012 at 6:53 am

@ Tunde, they are IGBO'S. Oduduwa have became an IGBO(BIAFRA).

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Chris August 25, 2012 at 2:08 pm

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tony are August 25, 2012 at 4:20 pm

Lol.....OPC NRTW are militant wings of ACN!!

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victor August 25, 2012 at 7:24 am

maybe its your reincarnated father from Iboland

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Sunbare August 25, 2012 at 8:15 am

It has shown that 70% of robberies are by members of NURTW, most of them are dropout who has nothing doing but to rob. They are same people that drink from morning till evening at the parks. All state government should outlaw them.

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Joe Onye-Amachara-Avuvu August 25, 2012 at 1:00 pm

They are your fathers, grandfathers, great-grand fathers and great-great-grandfathers....ONYE ARA LIKE YOU.

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Chris August 25, 2012 at 2:08 pm

An Igbo man a member of OPC? lol,funnt.

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○ *Chris* August 25, 2012 at 2:09 pm

Yes IGBO OPC ..hahahaha,crazy question.

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● *agbogunghoro* August 25, 2012 at 12:38 am

Y*ck you for starting this here again issue here again.

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● *Kareem Lateef Adewale* August 25, 2012 at 12:42 am

Whats your problem you idiot? why will they be ibos? if someone commits a crime, deal with him as a criminal and stop instigating tribal sentiments. can an ibo man be part of NURTW or OPC?

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● *confusion247* August 25, 2012 at 12:46 am

I know that it is a matter of days before yorubas will be on the news. As i said before, Crime knows no tribe. All the tribes in Nigeria are involved in it. For the sake of history and truth let it not be another apo six. Before then kudos to Nigerian Police.

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Tunde August 25, 2012 at 1:03 am

stop criticising me. did you not say ibos are the only ones who do evil?

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emeka August 25, 2012 at 1:18 am

those who respond to tribalistic comments are like someone who runs from the bathroom to the street naked trying to catch a mad man who took his cloths.

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o Linus August 25, 2012 at 2:23 am

Emeka, you are the true son of your father.

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Gentle ID August 25, 2012 at 2:35 am

This matter on ground is not the issue of tribalism, let us join hand's togeda & wipe away evil doer's in dis nigeria

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- *esty* August 25, 2012 at 2:39 am

This is not a forum for tribalistic war, Crime is not meant for a particular tribe, thank God they finally caught them. It is said that before any robbery incidence their must be an insider, Kudos to the police,

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- *Me* August 25, 2012 at 2:40 am

Only few people take out time to commend the police when they perform well. As always criminals are people known to us. They are not aliens or foreiners, they may even be our friends!

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- *Anthony* August 25, 2012 at 2:42 am

I can percieve some recent improvement in the Nigerian Police Force!

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- *naijapad.com* August 25, 2012 at 3:19 pm

Great work, Police!!! Keep up the good work. I hope the police in the rest of the country can learn from this. This is something worth celebrating, not the

amalgamation of the north and south.

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- *Kunle Orafidiya* August 25, 2012 at 3:23 am

Emeka I like that proverb.U are great. hehehe

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- *Akpunwa Odesi* August 25, 2012 at 3:40 am

The response by men of anti robbery squad was very timely. Welldone guys!

This is an appraisal issue too. The police men involved in the operation should be scored high so that during the promotion exercise they should be promoted instantly if they have done well in other key performance indicators.(KPI)

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- *Onye oma* August 25, 2012 at 3:43 am

Sure with recent news, our police are coming up , thanks you for making the residence of Ilesa proud of you, the fallen robbers who are OPC member in the Zone could have been an earlier callers on the scene to ask the victims what and how it really happens lol, with the state of things now the neighborhood should look out the remaining robbers who escaped with wound, and

unanimously report to police with facts,cos police as humans only work with information, Nigeria MUST surely regain its name that is being tarnished by some unpatriotic ones,once again kudos the brave police “dudes”

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• *Nduka* August 25, 2012 at 4:42 am

Thanks NPF for the prompt response.wipe this criminal minded and lazy ass from our environment.

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• *UncleJay* August 25, 2012 at 4:50 am

They will rob no more. The OPC man is fake. To the police. Weldone.

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• *truth is bitter* August 25, 2012 at 4:51 am

Nigeria police is performing in a state where they have much needed support from the governor. Kudos to the resident also. Say somethi ng when you see something.

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Ayo Akintoye August 25, 2012 at 5:24 am

Good job. Well done. I hail NPF.

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• *bright* August 25, 2012 at 5:24 am

Naigerian police,i salute,wen some one is being heeal for wat he did,he will do more

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• *adeola* August 25, 2012 at 5:55 am

so u can do the job perfectly ?kudos 2 niger police oooo.

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• *Ulesh Ogunyemi* August 25, 2012 at 6:23 am

Can we now see dat crime is nt an attribute of just a particular tribe, it is an ubiqtiuous issue wc happens in every tribe bt in different degrees. I'm so amazed about dis issue dat those we rely upon to ensure peace to an extent re d ones found to be d flagbearers of gruesome crime. Bt i tot dis OPC re 1 of d agent of orderliness nd development in our society, never know dat it is lyk a farmer who is planting seed nd put parrot underneath. Kudos to Nigerian police, it is through ur effort i'm exposed to d problems involved in 100% reliance on such associatns in questn. Let us be watchful cos a

person next to us might be an enemy of saved life nd property. All d theif outside there u just ve to repent cos u might be d next to fall victim of police patriotism nd services...

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- *Omo Baba* August 25, 2012 at 6:38 am

Am sure those robbbers were killed cos they stop performing their duties.

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- *Samuel* August 25, 2012 at 6:48 am

Hey! U people are just talking 1 sided. Do u know that,those boys killed are not as bad as the police themselves or the so calld our usless LEADERS.

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- *oolabam* August 25, 2012 at 6:51 am

thanks nigeria police , thanks IGP

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- *Johnson A.E* August 25, 2012 at 6:54 am

Kudos 2 nig.police.pls.don't bring sentiment in national issues.

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Fortune August 25, 2012 at 7:00 am

Lets be sincere, Police and Security agents are improving these days. Lets commend them when they perform. I belive Nig. will change for good. Lets corprate wth them. Kudos Police for a job weldone.

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kp kp August 25, 2012 at 7:01 am

If only can they be given the necessary working condition to operate, motivation to boost their morale, compensation when injured or died in cases like this, the Nigeria Police will do exploits. But a situation when an officer sustained injuries or died on the process is left at the mercy of his relatives and sometimes with help of his colleagues is sympathetic. This aside the absolute zero motivation existing in the force. With this kind treatment very little can be achieved and the main reason we are wallowing in insecurity

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Emenike August 25, 2012 at 7:04 am

If police can respond fast and shot those dat steal peanuts am sure they'll do d same with d likes of Jonathan and his cohorts who in d name of fuel subsidy d loot our treasure. D truth must b spoken and dis country wil go well, dats d truth take it or leave it

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• *Morakinyo Gosy* August 25, 2012 at 7:10 am

If our police can continue to operate at this rate very soon all law abiding citizens of Nigeria will breath air of freedom from armed robbers. Thanks for the good job.I wish once an armed robber is cut let him be killed instantly instead of waisting precious time in taking them to court and waisting tax payers' money to feed them in the prison.Same to apply to those found guilty of fraud and embezzlement.May God bless the policemen that carried out the operation.

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• *alah* August 25, 2012 at 7:13 am

well i thank the police for the action.

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• *alah* August 25, 2012 at 7:16 am

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Toni Aneni August 25, 2012 at 8:11 am

OPC man and NURTW involved in armed robbery.
Tinubu and co should think twice with their state police.
Nigeria is not ripe for state police.

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Mondula August 25, 2012 at 8:13 am

Hmmmm..... Enemy within

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kayode Ibrahim August 25, 2012 at 8:19 am

Emeka you are great.people like that are the problem of
this nation.

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lyke August 25, 2012 at 8:21 am

perfect job police. wipe them out

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- *Olatunde Ibrahim Chinedu* August 25, 2012 at 8:27 am

if i may ask, which set of people deserve to die first, the petty unarmed thief who collects your handset on the road or the politicians who robs you and your unborn generation of their future. let us collectively ask for the head of all these rogues and Nigeria will be a better place for all.

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- *Stevmajor* August 25, 2012 at 8:47 am

Yorubas are thieves!

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- *odey* August 25, 2012 at 12:19 pm

mind ur tongue my brother

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- *G. Jonathan* August 25, 2012 at 8:56 am

I ve not stop laff @ emeka coment, kudos 2 NPF all tribe hav judas in dia mist.

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- *EDO* 1 August 25, 2012 at 9:18 am

YES, AN IBGO MAN OR HAUSA CAN BE NURTW IN ANY STATE EVEN OPC

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- *christy* August 25, 2012 at 9:37 am

father save your children

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- *christy* August 25, 2012 at 9:38 am

Thank God no live was lost.

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- *christy* August 25, 2012 at 9:39 am

Thank God for the quick response of the police

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- *hellary* August 25, 2012 at 9:44 am

@Emeka, I don't complete agree with you. If someone

insult you mother in public, what will you do?

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- *patra* August 25, 2012 at 9:59 am

kudos to d nigerian police.

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- *UZO-ONITSHA* August 25, 2012 at 10:18 am

@ samuel, emeka and co. If u know the people you mention comites such crime, please help us bring them to their kneel just like this very one. We all will as well gather to see them, thereby congratulating you. Meanwhile, it seems some of these cripled by police are your relations. There is some scetchy with you comment. Please convince us well, if you want us to accept ur comment. Thanks npf.

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- *kay* August 25, 2012 at 10:19 am

...and they swung into action... Yea they r are always swinging.kudos to d lagos police....

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omoluabi August 25, 2012 at 10:22 am

@olatunji ibrahim.let us wipe out the petty thieves before they found their way into naija politics.iboro,does that name sound familiar?

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• *HON. ISO BASSEY EDIM* August 25, 2012 at 10:49 am

THAT IS VERY GOOD FOR THEM.THIEFS SHOULD NOT BE PARDONED. I WANT TO SUGGEST SOMETHING NOW. I WANT TO SUGGEST THAT POLICE SHOULD FACE ARMED ROBBER'S WITH GUNS WHILE GEJ SHOULD FACE PEN ROBBER'S IN GOVERNMENT.

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• *HON. ISO BASSEY EDIM* August 25, 2012 at 10:50 am

GOOD WORK BY THE POLICE. THAT IS VERY GOOD FOR THEM.THIEFS SHOULD NOT BE PARDONED. I WANT TO SUGGEST SOMETHING NOW. I WANT TO SUGGEST THAT POLICE SHOULD FACE ARMED ROBBER'S WITH GUNS WHILE GEJ SHOULD FACE PEN ROBBER'S IN GOVERNMENT.

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• *TITUS* August 25, 2012 at 10:55 am

I said it, GEJ is working! He will surely put all his critics to shame. Shame on u, El Rufai, Tinubu, Bakare, CPC and all this arm chair critics here including one Nick (Abdulkadir)

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• *philosopher* August 25, 2012 at 11:26 am

All day for the thief, one day for the house owner. good job NPF. Godbless Nigeria.

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• *Ashiru Adeshina Titi* August 25, 2012 at 11:59 am

This is incredible. Kudu to the police men who did this work. It is unbelievable to have identified two members of NURTW and a member Oodua People Congress (OPC) among the armed robbers gunned down by the police. The public should be at alert watch this group of people closely and be more vigilant because the robbers live among us. Just like the yoruba adage which says, 'Bi ko ba si ole ile ti ita ko le jani'. May I say kudos to the police men again.

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• *Olayaki samuel* August 25, 2012 at 12:13 pm

This is what we are expecting from our

police,'Improvement'

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• oday August 25, 2012 at 12:18 pm

God bless nig police am proud of u guys

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• Sam August 25, 2012 at 12:33 pm

If u allowed man, he ll destroy d whole universe,God created things good. J J Reseau "Man noodle wit them and the become evil" God ll reward lagos state police

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• Emeka August 25, 2012 at 12:49 pm

@hellary If someone insults your mother in public and you know him to be the type that will be very happy and fulfilled if you explode in anger and even fight him, but will bury his head in shame if you ignore him, what do you do? Will you make him happy? Surely, those who INTENTIONALLY instigate ethno-religious hatred though this forum usually laugh off their heads when their target audience are very angry and call them all sorts of names. They come back tomorrow to post similar comments. But they are always sad and surprised when no one comments about their useless post and ask: "could it be

that nobody saw it?" Be wise!

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- *steve* August 25, 2012 at 1:24 pm

Police thanks and keep it on

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- *Alani* August 25, 2012 at 2:10 pm

Kudos to the nigerian police. Let the NURTW exco members and OPC commanders all over Lagos check their members and flush out the bad eggs among them.

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- *OCHIWAR7070* August 25, 2012 at 2:10 pm

Crime in Nigeria is not a native of Yoruba, Ibo, Hausa or even other minor ethnic tribes in Nigeria. It is a combination of these ethnics that the world of crime evolved from in Nigeria. Yesterday it was Ibo, today Yoruba, maybe tomorrow it will be the Hausas, but the Lord will surely watch his Children just give him the Chance. God bless the Men who risked their lives for the Citizens of this country.

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• *Mister* August 25, 2012 at 2:28 pm

For those reasonable and thoughtful Igbos and Yorubas I say well done. But for those ones that do post out of envy and bitterness I say repent .

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• *dotun* August 25, 2012 at 2:48 pm

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• *Ecomog* August 25, 2012 at 3:41 pm

@ omo baba and Samuel by ur manner of approchs.I;m beginning to sence that you people are armed robbers.But i want to assured u and company that everyday is for the thief,oneday is for the owner.

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• *Lukman Akande* August 25, 2012 at 5:16 pm

@ecomog i have the same opinion with you both Omo Baba and samuel have case to answer.

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hellary August 25, 2012 at 5:39 pm

@Emeka, no matter the individual, if someone insult my mother in public I will do my best to teach him a lesson. My mother will be proud of me when I return with bruises telling her I fought because somebody insulted her. I wonder the type of mother that will praise a weak son. That said, I think it is right to tell people the truth about themselves, they may change in the process.

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kelly August 25, 2012 at 6:08 pm

edo 1..u thnk say yoruba like una....mumu.like u.igbo man go join opc to achive biafra.abi?then come join agbero for lagos transport union.u envy dem shebi?dem just kdnab isoko president ..na dem do am abi?make dem comot dia business..come see as alarm go blow. 4 lagos.nnukwu ewu

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Donald Ezeanoro August 25, 2012 at 7:46 pm

That is good for them, how I wish the remaining three is shot down too

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- Ugo August 25, 2012 at 7:50 pm

Bravo

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- valentine August 25, 2012 at 8:08 pm

why are people making this racial , they re criminals 4 heaven sake , regardless of their race

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- Banji-F August 25, 2012 at 8:25 pm

When armed robbers or criminals know that police will always respond to distress call they will stop robbing knowing that it will be suicidal to rob or commit crime. Police kudos and please keep it up and resolve to rid Nigeria of criminals.

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