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October 2, 2012 by Emmanuel Obe <u>134 Comments</u>



Inspector General of police, Muhammed Abubakar

Gunmen on Monday shot and killed two policemen on patrol at Abor Akuzor, Umusoime, Nkpor in Anambra State.

Some other policemen on patrol with the cops were also injured in the incident.

The policemen were said to be attached to the Ogidi Police Station, Idemili North Local Government Area.

The gunmen were also said to have led some people to destroy part of a hotel building under construction in the area.

The building allegedly belongs to the Chairman of Abor Akuzor kindred, Chief Okechukwu Nwafoagu.

The killing of the two policemen came on the heels of a similar killing of a woman, Ogechi Okechukwu, on Sunday by gunmen, who attacked the village.

The hoodlums were alleged have used explosives suspected to be dynamite to destroy the mega hotel.

The Abor Akuzor people have been embroiled in a land dispute with their neighbouring Oramadike people in Ogidi.

The dispute, which sometimes turned violent, has led to loss of lives and destruction of property.

The Monday attack on Abor Akuzor was the third since May this year. The hotel, which is at the roofing stage, was attacked and property including generators, were set ablaze.

The Police Monitoring Unit, Force Headquarters, had, because of the killings and destruction, summoned the Chairman of Abor Akuzor and his Oramadike counterpart to Abuja, where they were made to sign an undertaking to maintain the peace and order.

Nwafoagu, whose hotel and property were destroyed, blamed the police for not acting early on the information his people had given them.

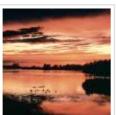
He said, "In all the attacks, I have always called the security agencies in and outside the state and sent text messages to all their heads. I have been saying it that the activities of these hoodlums should be checked to avoid loss of lives.

"My people have provided necessary information on where to arrest them, their source of arms, yet these information have not been acted upon."

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