

Gunmen storm UNIJOS VC's home, kill guard

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Barely two months after assuming office, the new Vice Chancellor of the University of Jos, Prof. Sebastian Maimako, on Wednesday escaped death.

PUNCH Metro learnt that some gunmen invaded his home in the Eto Baba area, Jos North Local Government Area, Plateau State, and shot dead one of his guards.

Also a policeman was injured in the incident while his rifle was taken away.

A witness, Mr. Stephen Serki, said the incident happened at about 8.30pm on Wednesday, adding that the VC was not in the country when the incident happened.

He said, "He was not around when the assailants came. When they didn't find him, they attacked his security details. While the policeman was shot in the leg and his gun taken away, two other security men of the university, attached to the VC, were fired at. The one shot in the head survived, but the man shot in the chest died on the spot."

The Assistant Registrar, Publications and Protocol, Mr. Abdullahi Abdullahi, confirmed the incident, adding that the details would be made public in an official statement to be released later by the university management.

The Police Public Relations Officer, ASP Terna Tyopev, said the command had not been informed about the incident.

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