

Police kill one, arrest six in Calabar bank robbery

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The six arrested suspected robbers

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The Cross River State Police Command on Wednesday said it killed one suspected criminal and arrested six others shortly after the hoodlums robbed a micro-finance bank in Calabar.

The state Commissioner of Police Mr Jimoh Ozi-Obeh, disclosed this in Calabar while briefing newsmen on the successes recorded by the command against the gang.

Ozi-Obeh, who paraded the suspects at the command's headquarters, said the incident took place on Tuesday November 15 along Mayne Avenue by Inyang Street in the Calabar South axis of the metropolis.

He said the surveillance team attached to the Atakpa Police Division received a distress call from concerned members of the public informing them about the ongoing robbery at the micro-finance bank.

"On November 15, 2016, men of the surveillance team attached to the Atakpa Division received a distress call of a bank robbery in Calabar South.

"My men immediately swung into action and confronted the gang in a serious gun battle which eventually led to the death of one of them by name Alex.

"We also arrested six of them and when searched, we recovered one black Toyota Camry without number plate; one locally made pistol, pump-top handset, phones, ATM cards and others.

“Out of the six suspects arrested, one of them is in the hospital receiving treatment after receiving serious gun shots. I must respectfully commend members of the public who availed us the useful information that led to the arrest of these suspects,” he said.

The commissioner, who said no money was recovered from the suspect during the arrest, added that the war against criminality in the state was a continuous process that required the collaborative efforts of all.

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