

FRSC warns motorists as driver crushes officer, injures two in Delta

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AN officer of the Federal Road Safety Corps attached to the Ughelli Unit has been crushed to death, while two others sustained varying degrees of injury in Ughelli, Delta State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the accident occurred on Monday on the East-West Road at the Ekerehavwe-Agbarho junction, while the officers were on duty.

An eyewitness, who spoke to our correspondent on the incident, said the FRSC personnel were on patrol when a blue Toyota Camry with number

plate AGL 405 GJ coming from Warri rammed into their van with number plate AO/1-882 RS and killed one of the officers, while the other two sustained injuries.

The eyewitness, who spoke on condition of anonymity said, "The vehicle of the FRSC officers was cut into two by the impact of the crash, which was due to the excessive speed of driver of the Camry.

"One of the officers died on the spot, while two others in critical conditions were rushed to the Central Hospital, Ughelli, and Ufor Hospital for medical attention. When we visited the Central Hospital, Ughelli, the corpse of the deceased officer had been deposited in the morgue."

When contacted, the Delta State Sector Commander, FRSC, Mr Uchechukwu Wihioke, confirmed the accident and said the Camry driver had been arrested by the police.

He said, "The vehicle rammed into the officers and one died, while two of our officers sustained injuries.

"The driver was on top speed, lost control and rammed into them; if he wasn't on top speed, he ought to have controlled the vehicle.

"Our officers should be very careful while discharging their duties. They should be safety conscious about their own lives while protecting road users.

"We should be mindful on how we stop vehicles; how we come in contact with moving vehicles and drivers plying the highways; it is expected that every reasonable driver should slow down when they see any law enforcement agent; it is even an offence to engage in excessive speed."

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The security beef up might not be unconnected with the recent spate of killings targeted at security operatives in the state.

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him for it.

In his statement to the EFOC, Na-Allah, a BDC operator, revealed that he got a call from the suspect, who informed him that he wanted to sell \$10,000 and asked for a US account, where the money would be paid into.

Na-Allah claimed that upon the payment of the money into the account, the sum of N3m was transferred into his account, out of which he transferred N2,730,000 into the suspect's account after he had taken his share and that of Idris from it.

Uwujaren added that the suspect would be charged soon.