Police arrest suspects as gunmen kill Army officer in Delta

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NKNOWN gunmen have reportedly shot dead the Operations Officer of the 3 Battalion of the Nigerian Army in Warri, Delta State, Lieutenant Musa Yusuf.

The PUNCH gathered from a security source close the military officer was "gruesomely murdered by identified gunmen

in the late hours of Friday, March 11, 2022 at Enerhen Road in the metropolis,"

The source, who did not want his name in print, stated that "as a result, the military authorities have launched manhunt for those involved in the murder."

He added, "In view of the above, staffmembers are kindly advised on the need to exercise extra security precautions and vigilance particularly within Enerhen and environs.

"We are strongly advised to avoid late night movements around these troubled areas and Warri in general.

"The security team will continue to monitor this situation and provide the necessary updates as required."

The Director of Information of the Nigerian Army, Brigadier General Onyema Nwachukwu, could not be reached for comments on the incident as of the time of filing this report.

However, the Police Public Relations Officer, Delta State Command, Bright Edafe, while confirming the incident, told journalists on Tuesday that some suspects have been arrested in connection with the murder but would not confirm the number of the suspects.