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Hoodlums have reportedly killed two policemen attached to the Ebonyi State Police Command.

The incident, our correspondent gathered, took place at Nwofe, a sub-burb of the Abakaliki metropolis in the Izzi Local Government Area, where the victims were part of a patrol team on surveillance on Friday morning.

A statement by the police spokesperson in the state, Onome Onowakpoyeya, confirmed the incident, adding that another operative was injured in the attack.

The statement read, "Today 17/11/2023 at about 08:30 am, operatives of the Command on patrol at Nwofe Road at the outskirt of Abakaliki were attacked by armed hoodlums using a tinted Highlander vehicle with registration number unknown.

"Two of the operatives were fatally wounded while one is currently receiving medical treatment at the hospital. The Commissioner of Police, Ebonyi State Police Command, CP Augustina Ogbodo psc on receiving the distress call immediately dispatched tactical teams to the scene, who equally swung into action by giving the hoodlums a hot chase but the hoodlums escaped.

"The Commissioner of Police also visited the scene of the incident with her management team for on-the-spot Assessment. She is using this medium to call on well-meaning individuals of the state to avail the command with useful information that can lead to the arrest of the fleeing hoodlums while assuring them of round-the-clock visibility patrol of the nooks and crannies of the state."

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