

# One killed as gunmen invade Ebonyi LG chair's hotel

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**G**UNMEN have reportedly invaded the hotel of the Chairman of the Ohaukwu Local Government Area of Ebonyi State, Ikechukwu Odonno, killing one person.

Our correspondent gathered that the hoodlums also burnt no fewer than seven cars parked on the premises of the hotel, which is located in Ezzangbo in the council area.

It was learnt that the assailants invaded the hotel at about 11pm on Sunday, attacked and killed one of its occupants, then shot sporadically for six hours until 5am on Monday.

Images at the scene of the incident, which our correspondent saw online, depicted a pool of blood on the staircase of the hotel.

A community source, who pleaded anonymity, said, "My brother, remember that this area (Ezzangbo) has been under attack by gunmen; but the incident last night was the mother of all the attacks."

"This time around, the hoodlums went straight to the hotel of the Ohaukwu Local Government Area and unleashed their mayhem. Some told me one person was killed, but many said three persons were killed. So, it was devastating."

"Nobody knows what's going on. Just last week, about five policemen were killed. One is wondering what's going on in Ebonyi North Zone. It's getting worrisome—I mean the spate of insecurity here."

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