

Murder Of Ateke Tom's Henchman Security Beefed Up In Port Harcourt

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After the killing of Warigbo Nyeregba, one of the henchmen of Tom Ateke, former militant commander, in a shoot-out at the premises of Academic Associate Peace World in Woji GRA, Port Harcourt, by unknown gunmen on Monday, the security have now been beefed up in the area.

Academic Associate Peace World, a non-government organisation, is dedicated to

the rehabilitation of former cultists in the Niger Delta and plays a major role in disarmament of former cultists in the state.

Although, the motive of the attack is not yet known, Nyeregba Ateke and another youth leader from Emeka community, Ogbonna Betram, who were killed in the attack, were former aides of the Niger Delta vigilante Lord.

P.M. News gathered that the NGO was planning a meeting for a non-violent

election and peace match in the city of Port Harcourt, when the incident occurred.

When contacted, the executive director of the NGO, Dr. Judith Asuni, who confirmed the incident, expressed shock over the attack by gunmen at her office, at a time when the NGO was planning towards a peaceful 2007 elections in the Niger Delta.

Dr. Asuni, an American by birth, has been fully involved

in the peace process and rehabilitation of repentant cultists.

Mrs. Ireju Barasua, the PRO, Rivers State Police Command, confirmed the incident but denied knowledge of the motive of the killing.

However, the deputy commissioner of police in the state, Mr. Bassey Inyang, has visited the scene of the incident to see things for himself.

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