

# Police kill robbery gang that targets drivers

**A** gang of armed robbers who specialize in robbing drivers at gunpoint around the national mosque in the centre of the city of Abuja been killed by the police. The group that operated at night took advantage of the speed breakers built around the place thereby forcing motorists to slow down to rob their victims of money, mobile phones and other valuables. Police say the robbers used the bridge around the spot of their attacks as their hideout and usually ran under the dark spot after every operation to escape arrest.

They however met their end after they robbed a lady driver, Jamila, who immediately dialled the police emergency numbers. The victim, told of how two of

the robbers took her Blackberry phone, N36,000 cash, and \$500 at gun point after she slowed down because of the speed breakers. On getting the distress call, the police immediately alerted one of its patrol vehicles around the area that rushed to the scene, met the lady who told them the robbers escaped into the bush under the bridge. The police then opened fire and the robbers shot back resulting to an exchange of fire. In the process, one of the robbers was shot dead, while the other was seriously injured and taken to hospital. The robbers who were identified as Friday Mark and Daniel, had in their possession a locally made pistol, knife and the items they robbed their victim of.