

SOUTH-EA**Two killed, one injured as soldiers intercept tanker**

From OKEY SAMPSON, Aba

Two persons lost their lives at the weekend at Obehie, near Aba in Abia State as they allegedly attempted to stop soldiers from seizing an oil tanker laden with illegal crude oil.

It was gathered that suspected oil bunkerers had vandalized a Shell pipeline at Okohia Owazza in Ukwa West Local Government Area and were conveying the stolen crude from the vandalized pipeline with the tanker to Aba, but when they got to Obehie, soldiers at a check-point stopped the driver of the tanker and on interrogation, it was discovered he was carrying illegal crude oil.

The driver was promptly arrested with the tanker and by the soldiers ordered, he drive to their base at Ngwa High School in Aba.

Sources stated that in the process of driving the tanker to Aba, two of the youths from the community believed to be escorts to the tanker driver and who were on a motorbike, double-crossed the vehicle in a bid to stop it from being taken to the army base and the tanker ran into their bike, killing one instantly and injuring the other person.

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