

• Suspected drug trafficker arrested at Lagos Airport recently.

Delta community sends SOS to gov, police over robberies

• *Housewife killed, motorcycle stolen*

The Ubulu-Uku community in Aniocha South Local Government in Delta State has raised the alarm over the spate of armed robberies in the area.

The residents are accusing Fulani herdsmen.

The indigenes have sent a Save Our Souls (SOS) message to Governor Emmanuel Uduaghan and the state Commissioner of Police, Mr Usman Baba, to come to their rescue.

Spokesman for the community, Mr Charles Adimabuah, told *Crime Watch Today* that one Mrs Moge kwu was murdered at the Enugwu-Iyi area of Ubulu-Uku on her way to the market.

Adimabuah said: "It was about three weeks now when Mrs Moge kwu was on her motor-cycle going to the market when she was accosted by armed robbers at a bad spot on the road which they barricaded with tree branches. She was robbed of her money, and motorcycle. She was shot dead by the hoodlums. Mrs Moge kwu has been buried. The widower and children are still in agony. Who knows who is next. Such a thing has not happened in our community. It was strange and that is why we are still in shock.

"On the same spot, the following day, the hoodlums still stormed the scene and unleashed terror on the early morning travellers. Three persons sustained various degrees of injuries on Easter eve and Good Friday, travellers saw hell in the hands of hoodlums believed to be Fulani herdsmen. Before the Fulani came to our town, Ubulu-Uku was a peaceful community. We used to accommodate visitors and people like our place but today, armed robbers who disguise as cattle rearers have turned things upside down.

"Yesterday, people were robbed at the same spot and at about 7am. This spot is where police mounted road-block everyday and collected tolls from people going to market and other road users.

"That is why we are making a passionate appeal to Governor Uduaghan and the commissioner of police to save us from armed robbers who operate on Ubulu-Uku-Obior road and Ubulu-Isa-Ogwashi road. We are afraid that if the robbers are not checked, they will one day over-run our community, please, help us to save lives and property.

"Let the commissioner of Police order for early morning and evening patrols between Ubulu-Uku, Obior and Ogwashi-Uku," he said.