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Lorry crushes 3, injures 5 in Onitsha

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A tipper at the weekend crushed three persons, injuring five others at 3-3 Roundabout in Nkwele Ezunaka near Onitsha, Anambra State.

The accident occurred when the lorry lost control during a fight with a vigilante man guarding an estate in the area where it went to tip stand.

The victims were mostly street traders and passersby, who were

boarded the bus from Onitsha

or 9kg fire extinguisher in case of any emergency.

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taken unawares when the lorry ran into them at the roundabout. As they went about selling their wares, the vehicle killed three of them instantly while five others were rushed to hospital.

A witness said when the vigi-

lante man at the gate of the estate stopped the driver insisting that he should not use the place, the driver resisted.

"As they argued, the tipper driver wanted to move the vehicle, the security guard pulled

something suspected to be one of the parts of the vehicle. As the driver forcefully came out of the road he lost control and ran into people selling at the roundabout killing many people," he stated.

The driver and the guard disappeared immediately. This angered the mob which set the lorry ablaze.

The Area Commander for Onitsha, Mr. Abubakar Yahaya, an Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP), who confirmed the incident, said the mob mobilized again the following morning to attack the security gate of the housing estate, but was overpowered by the police at 3-3 police station.