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Anambra: Bandits kill police inspector at checkpoint, snatch

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Two armed men operating on a motorcycle yesterday shot dead a police Inspector in Ogidi, near Onitsha, Anambra State.

The Divisional Police Officer (DPO), Ogidi Police Station, Mr Hassan Musa, confirmed the incident.

According to him, the hoodlums snatched the AK47 rifle the deceased was carrying. He said that the incident occurred about 2.45 p.m. at a police road block near Ugwunwasike Roundabout in Ogidi, where a police team was conducting "stop and search".

An eyewitness said the armed men took the policeman unawares as they rode straight and shot him at a close range while he was flagging down a vehicle for a search.

"Other policemen who were with him took cover on hearing the gun shots while the armed men escaped," the source said.

The incident, which happened within minutes, caused people in the vicinity, including motorists and commuters, to abandon their vehicle and scamper for safety.

The DPO said the police had commenced investigation into the incident, adding that the remains of the Inspector had been deposited at lyi-Enu Hospital's mortuary.

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