

Ogbagi-Akoko, Akoko North
West Local Government

1 dies as terrorists invade Anambra community

• State Assembly asks Obiano to intervene

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ONE person died and many others injured in Nteje community, Oyi local government of Anambra state following the invasion of the area by a terrorist squad.

Following the attack, the State House of Assembly yesterday, called on the state Governor, Chief Willie Obiano to direct the State Police Commissioner to deploy policemen to the community.

The House whose unanimous resolution followed a motion of urgent importance raised by member representing Oyi constituency, Hon. Vivian Okadigbo, urged the governor to act fast and save the lives of people in the area and to avoid break down of law and order.

Hon. Okadigbo, had in the motion said, "I want to bring to the notice of this house, the recent happenings in my constituency, Umueli and Ezeoye villages in Nteje to be precised. Mr. Speaker, there is this terrorist squad in Nteje, whose members physically assaulted our youths and children and raped our women on

An eyewitness told *Daily Sun* that the robbers used

their farm land.

"For quite sometime now, residents of Nteje have not been sleeping with their two eyes closed as they live in fears. They recently lost one of their sons, Mr. Izuchukwu Mozie.

"This ugly incident has been happening for quite sometime. I thought it was something that could be tackled, but to my utmost surprise, the terrorists engaged men of the Special Anti Robbery Squad (SARS) in a fierce gun battle that lasted for more than an hour. From all indications, the people of Nteje, are living in fears and urgent step must be taken to checkmate the ugly situation before it escalates into a more dangerous dimension that will lead to loss of more lives and property."

She therefore, urged the house to call on the governor as the Chief Security officer of the state, to direct the Police Commissioner to deploy additional security men to Nteje to forestall the impending doom that may befall the community.

Her motion was seconded by the member representing Ayamelum state constituency, Hon. Uche Okafor.

away by the robbers, who shot sporadically.

A community leader in the town, Chief Eli Olorunsola, while commenting on the incident, called on the government to be more proactive on security of life and property.

The Police Public Relations Officer for the state command, Femi Joseph, who confirmed the inci-

the robbery incident.

Joseph added that the robbers destroyed the automated teller machine of the bank with dynamite and made away with a huge sum of money.

He disclosed that the state police command has launched an investigation into the robbery, while giving assurance that the robbers would not go free.



• Collapsed balcony in one of the buildings at FESTAC Extension, Lagos.