

Gunmen kill 4 traders, security chief in Rivers

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HOODLUMS have shot dead four traders and wounded two others in front of their residence in Port Harcourt, Rivers State. The victims, whose identities could not be ascertained at the time of this report, were shot when the assailants stormed the place and opened fire on them, killing four on the spot.

The incident reportedly occurred in the Orazi area of Obio/Akpor Local Government Area of the state.

Police spokesman in the state, Nnamdi Omoni, confirmed the killings to journal-

ists, but said he did not know why the hoodlums struck.

Omoni said the command has deployed its personnel to the scene, adding that investigation to unravel the circumstances surrounding the attack and perpetrators was ongoing.

Daily Sun gathered that the remains of the victims, who were from the same state, have been conveyed back to their hometowns for burial.

Meanwhile, residents of Nkpor village in Rumuolumeni, in Obio/Akpor, have fled their homes following the killing of the chairman of the local security team in the area, Wobo Wagbara, by suspected

cultists.

Daily Sun was gathered that Wagbara was ambushed at Okemini junction in Nkpor and murdered by some youths Wednesday night in what seemed a reprisal attack.

Community sources disclosed that the victim was driving home from where he went to watch a football match before he was shot inside his car.

However, the murder has heightened tension in the area, forcing residents to desert the community in fear of further attacks.

Omoni also confirmed the killing of Wagbara, describing it as cult clash.

He said that a cult group invaded the area and killed the victim.

He added that the commissioner of police has ordered deployment of security agents to restore normalcy. He advised residents of the community to remain calm and return home.

The PPRO disclosed that a full-scale investigation has commenced, stating that anyone found culpable would be prosecuted.

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