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Gunmen attack patrol team, kill policeman in Ebonyi

SUSPECTED armed men on Thursday attacked police personnel on patrol along Ngbo-Effium road in Ohaukwu Local Government Area of Ebonyi State.

The acting Police Public Relation Officer (PPRO), DSP Joshua Ukan-du, Ebonyi Command told journalists in Abakaliki on Friday that the attackers operated using an ash-coloured Toyota Sienna without registration number.

Ukan-du said the operatives en-

gaged the hoodlums in a gun duel, which resulted in one of the policemen getting fatally wounded, while one is currently receiving medical treatment at a hospital.

According to Ukan-du, on Feb. 1 at about 11:00 am, armed hoodlums using an ash coloured Toyota Sienna with unknown registration number attacked operatives of the Command on patrol along the road. The PPRO said the Commissioner of Police (CP), Ebonyi Command, Augustina

Ogbodo immediately dispatched tactical teams of the Command to the scene to trail the hoodlums.

"Meanwhile, calm and normalcy have been restored to the area.

"The CP is using this medium to call on well-meaning individuals in the state to avail the Command with useful information that can lead to the arrest of the fleeing hoodlums," he added. The Command further assured of its commitment to protection of lives and property in the state.