

Gunmen attack police checkpoint in Nnewi, kill policeman

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GUNMEN on Friday morning attacked a police checkpoint at Omata Junction, Nnewi, Anambra State, killing a policeman on duty with an explosive device.

A commercial tricycle operator who pleaded anonymity said that four gunmen in a Sports Utility Vehicle drove close to the police checkpoint at about 9:00am and sud-

denly started shooting. The police returned fire, forcing road users to scamper for safety.

The Police Public Relations Officer, Anambra State Command, SP Tochukwu Ikenga confirmed that one of his men was fatally hit by an explosive device thrown by the gunmen during the attack.

The Commissioner of Police, Mr. Nnaghe Itam has declared a manhunt operation on the fleeing attackers.