

One Dies In Police, Robbers' Shootout

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Officials of the Counter Terrorism Unit of the Enugu State Command yesterday smashed a notorious armed robbery syndicate after a gun duel between them and the hoodlums who dressed in military camouflage.

It was learnt that the policemen, who were on duty on Enugu-Markurdi Road, Nsukka axis, received a distress call that armed robbers had blocked Nsukka-Markurdi Road by Inyi in Igboeze North Local Government Area.

The policemen raced to the scene and engaged the robbers in a gun duel during which one of the hoodlums was fatally injured and later died.

Another suspect, identified as Godwin Okpe from Ogbadigbo Local Government Area of

Benue State, was also injured but was receiving medical attention. The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Ebere Amaraizu, said other suspects escaped with bullet wounds.

Items recovered from them include their heavy logs of wood used in blocking the highway, two double-barrelled guns fabricated as AK 47 rifles, cash believed to have been robbed from their victims, a pair of boots and a torch.

Meanwhile, the state Commissioner of Police, Emmanuel Ojukwu, has applauded the efforts of his men. He said his command would continue to provide security for members of the public as well as motorists on the road.