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Tension in Ogun community as soldiers burn down police station over killing of colleague

Pandemonium broke out on Wednesday in the Ogijo area of Sagamu Local Government Area of Ogun State when a police officer allegedly killed a soldier during an altercation.

New Telegraph gathered that the police officer, who was popularly called Mopol by residents, was said to have shot the soldier after the disagreement degenerated

with both law enforcement officers threatening to kill each other.

While the altercation intensified, the policeman was said to have reached for his pistol and shot the soldier.

The soldier was pronounced dead at about 6pm.

Angered by the incident, colleagues of the slain soldier mobilised themselves to unleash mayhem on the community.

The soldiers in retaliation, launched an attack on Ogijo Police Station where the mobile police officer was deployed by the Ogun Police Command.

The soldiers during the reprisal attack destroyed property, including a police armoured tank and police patrol vehicles.

Confirming the incident to journalists, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of the state police command, Abimbola Oyeyemi said the incident happened in Odongunyan area of Ikorodu in Lagos State.

He added that, when the soldiers came for reprisal attack, they attacked Ogijo Police Station, burnt down the station patrol vehicle and armoured personnel carrier.

"Though, the cause of disagreement between the police officer and

the soldier is still sketchy as I speak with you now, but the incident really happened in Odongunyan area of Ikorodu, in Lagos state and when the soldiers came for reprisal attack, they came to Ogun Police station, burnt station, armoured personnel carrier and patrol vehicle.

"The commandant of the barracks at Ikorodu had been contacted and he is looking into the matter," Oyeyemi said.



Police Team

The Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) yesterday re-arraigned four men before an Ikeja High Court for alleged purchase and possession of forged US dollar Travellers Cheque.

The defendants were: Mark Obisean, Olumide McIntouch, Bolaji Bakare and Goodluck Bazunu.

They were re-arraigned on an amended 11-count bordering on purchasing forged bank notes and conspiracy to purchase forged

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The defendants, however, pleaded not guilty to the charges.

The EFCC counsel, Mr Nwandu Ukoha, therefore, prayed the court for a trial date to enable the prosecution call its witnesses and tender relevant documents to prove the case against them.

Counsel to first defendant Mr

application before the court, in a correctional facility pending the filing and hearing of bail application.

The case has been adjourned till April 3, for trial.

The prosecution earlier submitted that the defendants with