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ive days after armed men invaded communities hosting Okomu Oil Palm Company PLC in Ovia South West Local Government Area of Edo State, killing three workers, one of the communities was again attacked on Sunday night by a group which identified itself as Tjaw Freedom Fighters' and they reportedly killed one person and set eight vehicles ablaze

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17-year-old Junior Secondary School (JSS)student, Sunday Adegbulu, has told the Ondo State Security Network, codenamed Amotekun, that he specialises in stealing cables from homes and electrisity.

Edo: Again, armed men invade Okomu Oil community, kill worker, set 8 vehicles ablaze

...write Obaseki, demand directorship of Okomu Oil Palm Company

Investigation reveal that the gunmen invaded Imariogha, the community which hosts the former African Timber and Plywood (AT&P), located in the Ovia South West Local Government Area.

An eyewitness told journalists in Benin City that the invaders entered the community from the riverside at midnight shooting indiscriminately into the air and setting fire to about eight private vehicles and destroying

many houses.

One of the community leaders, Mr Rex Akpokiniovo, also confirmed that while one person was killed, a Chief of the community, Pa Gabriel Okorugbe, who sustained injuries from the attack has been hospitalised.

Akpokiniovo also said: "The corpse of the dead person has been taken away by the police.

"My house was attacked and my car burnt by the gunmen who came into the community at midnight and started shooting into the air."

"One of the Okomu workers, who resides in the community, was killed while the invaders left a warning note on his chest."

According to the note, addressed to Govenor Godwin Obaseki, the attackers, who identified themselves as Ijaw Freedom Fighters, made several demands from the management of Okomu Oil Palm Plc.

Some of the demands included directorshipposition in Okomu OilPalm Company and 25 per cent of the company's shares. The groups aid: "We are not fighting any security personnel, but Okomu Oil Company."

I'm a serial cable thief -JSS student

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The suspect, who survived electrocution said he and his gang members vandalised the electrical installation of an uncompleted building. The latest incident, he said happened on April

cation and brought him into a very terrible state.

"He was to be killed so that he would not reveal his sponsors. We had to revive him, brought him to the health facility of the corps