Policeman killed as gunmen attack police station, civic centre in Anambra

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police man was confirmed killed when gunmen attacked the Oba Police Station and a civic centre in Idemili South Local Government Area of Anambra State

The incident which occurred at about 3 am yesterday saw the gunmen throw petrol bomb at the civic centre and the Police Station leading to the death of the police personnel who was badly burnt leading to his death.

However, officers and men of the Anambra State Joint TaskForce on Security battled the gunmen who were subsequently over powered by the superior fire power of the security personnel, making them escape from the scene, while security operatives were able to stop the fire from causing much damage at the Civic Center.

Meanwhile, the Anambra State Police Command has commenced manhunt for the gunmen and according to the command the search is already recording significant results.

Confirming the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer, SP Tochikwu Ikenga, in a release said, "The Police led Joint Security Force comprising of the Army, Navy, Civil Defence and other security agencies are currently in a joint on-slaught operation within Oba and its environments.

"Following, an attack in the early hours of today 3/9/2024 on Oba Police Divisional Headquarters and Oba Civic Center, the suspected armed secessionist group started shooting recklessly in an attempt to gain entrance to the Police Station and threw petrol bombs at the security facility which made some of the offices catch fire including the Oba Civic Center.

"Unfortunately, a police corporal who was fatally wounded paid the supreme price, while the fire was put off with the help of other Police officers on duty and the Joint Security responding team.

"The Commissioner of Police, CP Nnaghe Obono Itam, while condemning the act, described the invasion of Security facilities and hostility towards security agents as an attack on the soul of a nation and vowed to bring those behind the unholy act to book," he said.

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miners.

While refuting claims that the attackers are miners, the State chairman of the Min-