

ETB Branch Manager Shot Dead

The Branch Manager of Equatorial Trust Bank (ETB), Apapa, Lagos was shot dead Thursday night by a gang of suspected assassins who rode on a motor bike popularly called *Okada*.

Police sources said the man, identified as Mr. Moses Eduche, met his sudden death after he had gone to visit a naval friend at the close of work and was attacked in traffic while driving home. According to sources, three armed men apparently trailed late Eduche, forced open his car and demanded that he handed over the money in his possession to them. He reportedly complied and handed over the N50,000 in his possession to them without hesitation. However, tragedy struck after the hoodlums, who were not satisfied

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with the amount of money he tendered, ordered him out of his car and started ransacking the vehicle. Dissatisfied with the loot, one of the suspected assassins shot him below the navel and he slumped in a pool of his blood.

The robbers who probably got wind of the approach of the police led by the Apapa Divisional Police Officer, Mr. Mohammed Ali quickly hopped on their bike and sped off. Meanwhile, driver to the late banker was said to have raced back to the residence of the naval officer to report the incident and they both raced back to the scene during which he was taken to the nearby Lagoon hospital. He gave up the ghost the following morning.