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Nigeria: Four Feared Killed in Lagos Bank Robberies

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Barely 48 hours after a bank manager was killed in a bank robbery in Alapere, Ketu, Lagos, another set of four people were feared killed yesterday, in three bank robberies in Lagos.

The banks were situated along Ozumba Mbadiwe Street, Victoria Island.

According to an eye-witness account, the robbers numbering about 20, rode on 15 motorcycles, stormed one of the banks, a new generation bank around 9:30a.m., killing a male customer, after which they visited the two other banks and carted away unspecified amount of money in "Ghana Must Go" bags.

In their bid to escape through Onikan, they shot sporadically into the air, with stray bullets hitting and killing a male passer-by.

Luck however, ran against two of the robbers, as a young Hausa man dressed in native attire caught up with them at Muson Centre, Onikan, hit one of the motorcycles with his car, and before they could get up and run, an angry mob set them ablaze.

Speaking on the incident, Lagos State Police Commissioner, Mr Marvel Akpoyibo, while parading two suspected robbers in connection with the incident, said intense efforts are being made to flush out criminals from the state.

The suspects' names were given as Ifeanyi Ebube and Sherif Akanbi of Layeni and Muyibi streets, Ajegunle, respectively.

The sum of N500.000.00 was recovered from their bag along with a locally made pistol.

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