

Two Killed as Robbers Invade Awka Banks

Two people, including a senior police officer were feared killed yesterday in Awka, Anambra State, when armed robbers invaded three banks along Zik's Avenue in the Morning, shooting sporadically to scare away people.

The invasion led to confusion in the state capital for most of yesterday.

Other banks in the state capital had to hurriedly close shop to avoid being attacked.

The popular Zik's Avenue and the Eke Awka main market were devoid of their heavy human traffic as people stayed indoors.

Emeka Chukwuemeka, Anambra State Police Public Relations Officer said police swiftly responded to the situation and

deployed APCs to flash-points in Awka, Nnewi and Onitsha.

The robbers had earlier on Thursday operated on major streets in Awka, killing six people.

Chukwuemeka confirmed that two police

guards of some politicians were killed by robbers at Nnokwa during the Thursday operation.

A member of the House of Representatives, Paulinus Igwe Nwagwu, was shot in that incident and rushed to a hospital in Enugu.

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Inspector General of Police (IGP), Mr. Mike Okiro yesterday urged the 36 state governors and other stakeholders in the country to complement the Seven-Point Agenda of President Umaru Musa Yar'Adua in the task of reducing the spate of crimes and criminals in the society.

Okiro who spoke in Ilorin on Friday during the official commissioning of Close Circuit Camera Television

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(CCTV) camera system donated by the Kwara State government and constructed by the Lolada Investments Limited, Lagos, said that no meaningful economic development could be achieved without security of lives and property.

According to him, "The Kwara State government is