

# *Bakassi* boys set two robbery suspects ablaze

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**U**MUAHIA—ABIA State Vigilant Service, otherwise known as *Bakassi Boys* has set two armed robbery suspects ablaze for attempting to snatch a bag from a man who just finished his business transaction from a commercial bank in the city.

Though the state police command has frowned at the jungle justice meted out to the suspects, residents of the Abia State capital are happy with the action of the *Bakassi Boys*. They argued that if they were handed over to the police, they could be released and come back to terrorise the residents.

The robbery suspects who met their Waterloo were said to have operated in a motorcycle and snatched from a man, a bag containing some amount of

money and a Nigerian passport and were about escaping when they were apprehended by the vigilant boys who first decorated their bodies with matchet cuts before setting them ablaze.

However, before setting them on fire, the *Bakassi Boys* made sure that the victim collected his money, the passport and the bag snatched from him by the robbers.

This happened just few meters to the Government House, and the vigilant boys watched to ensure that the suspects got properly burnt.

The police in the state did not like the action of the *Bakassi Boys* and it has said so through its Public Relations Officer, Mr. Ali Okechukwu, who warned the vigilant service to always hand over suspects to the police.