

Rivers Police kill 4 robbers

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PORT HARCOURT—
POLICE in Rivers State say they have gunned down a total of four armed robbery suspects in the last three weeks. In a statement made available to *Vanguard* and signed by the state Police PRO, Mrs. Baresua Ireju, the police gave a detailed account of how the suspects were killed.

According to Mrs. Baresua, three of them were shot dead during an exchange of gun fire between them and the police around Assemblies of God Church, New road in Bonny. She said the gun men had hidden in a swamp when they knew that police men had been alerted of their presence in the neighbourhood. "Gun fire ensued and in the process the three armed men were gunned down. Search was conducted on them and the following items were found. They include one locally made pistol, GSM handsets, jeweleries and unspecified amount of money."

Continuing, the PPRO said one other armed robber was shot dead around Rumuodomanya area of the state capital. The statement said it was the hoodlums that first opened fire on the police on sighting them thus causing the police to retaliate. The police added that several arrests had also been made.