

Robbers kill two in Enugu

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E NUGU—ARMED robbers operating along the highways in Enugu state have continued to attack travelers in spite of the presence of policemen and soldiers who have increased surveillance on the major roads.

Two passengers were reportedly killed by the bandits in two commercial buses in the last two days by the robbers who wounded many others while holding travelers to ransom specifically along the Ninth Mile Corner-Nsukka express way.

The new measures put in place by the police to stem the tide including increased patrol activities and surveillance have not succeeded in scaring the bandits who appear to have taken full control of the

expressway.

In a fresh operation that occurred along the road at about 7 am yesterday, one Mr. Alphonsus Ugwu watched the robbers pump bullets into the skull of his immediate younger brother, Mr. Ejiofor Ugwu who died instantly.

The bandits had reportedly ordered all the passengers to disembark after successfully stopping the vehicle even after the driver had made a u-turn and after dispossessing them of their money and other valuables shot the deceased for no clear reason.

Travelers along the road saw the remains of the deceased soaked in a pool of his own blood while his devastated brother whose shirt and trousers were smeared with the spilled blood cried uncontrollably at about 7.17 am when the robbers had escaped into the bush.