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ENUGU—THE Police in Enugu yesterday shot dead a notorious armed robbery suspect who was identified to be the kingpin of a gang of armed robbers that has been terrorising residents of Trans Ekulu area of the coal city.

Men of the Trans-Ekulu Division of the Enugu State Police Command engaged members of the gang in a gun duel in the early hours of yesterday after the robbers had attacked some residents of Ugbene II near the New GRA, dispossessing them of money and GSM handsets.

The leader of the gang identified as Ebuka was gunned down while a 15 year old boy, a bus conductor, who admitted being a member of the gang was apprehended by the police during the encounter.

The Divisional Police Officer incharge of Trans-Ekulu, Alhaji Ahmed Abubakar, told reporters while parading the suspect that the gang of robbers numbering four had attacked residents of Palm to Palm in Trans Ekulu at about 1am during which the people contacted the Police for rescue.

He said that on sighting the police, the armed robbers ran into an uncompleted building said to be their hideout and engaged the policemen in a shoot out but they were overpowered with the aid of some residents who prevented the gang leader from escaping.

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