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Yenagoa—It was the end of the road for two robbery suspects who have been terrorizing residents of Yenagoa the Bayelsa State capital in recent times as they were last week shot and killed by men of the Joint Task Force in a gun duel.

Luck, it was learnt, ran out on the gang when they were intercepted by the JTF along the serene Alamieyeseigha Way at Opolo in the capital city.

The hoodlums who were said to be operating on a motorcycle had earlier dispossessed one Ernest Ede of a huge sum of money (over N200, 000) and were racing away with their loot when nemesis caught up with them.

Their victim was said to have raised alarm which attracted security operatives in the neighbourhood who rushed to scene.

Witnesses told Vanguard that the bandits opened fire on the security operatives who returned in self defence and succeeded in killing two

Two of their cohorts in crime were however said to have escaped with gun shot injuries while two locally made guns, a double barrel and single barrel cut to size gun, were recovered from them.

The Coordinator, Joint Media Campaign Centre (JMCC), Colonel Rabe Abubakar confirmed the incident.

The JTF operatives, however, handed over the corpses and two locally made guns recovered from the criminals to the Bayelsa State Police command for further investigation.

Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Ibokette Iniobong, told Vanguard that the two corpses of the robbers and the locally made guns were received by the command.

He said some police men had chased the robbers to Opolo area when men of the JTF received signal and intercepted them.



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