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## Robbers invade bank, kill retired military officer in Edo community

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BENIN—A retired military officer was yesterday shot dead by a group of armed robbers who invaded a micro finance bank in Jattu, near Auchi, in Etsako West local government area of Edo State.

Seven other persons were said to have sustained serious injuries during the attack.

Vanguard gathered that the robbers drove into the bank premises and over powered the security men, carting away unspecified amount of money.

They were said to have operated in the bank for over an hour with sophisticated weapons without any challenge from the police.

It was further gathered that at the end of the operation, a retired military man who had come to deposit money was killed, while seven others sustained serious gunshot injuries.

A director of the bank and the chairman of Jattu community council, Alhaji Kasimu Shaibu, expressed surprise over the incident, even as he lamented the state of security in the country.

He regretted that the police who had been charged with the responsibility of protecting lives and property of the citizenry was no longer performing its constitutional responsibility.

“The strange thing is that in spite of the fact that the Police Area Commander was alerted, they did not come. It was only the vigilante that came and they had no weapon to march the fire power of the armed robbers.

Their station is just about ten minutes drive from here but they did not show up.

“We had some mechanic guys who tried blocking possible part of where the robbers would take; one of them was shot and lying critically ill in the hospital.

“As to how much the robbers made away with, that we can not readily say now until we do some checking,” he stated.

Manager of the bank, Mr. Ladokun Shola, said “I really do not have anything to say. This is a serious situation; five of my staff are among those that sustained gun injuries.

“They have been rushed to the hospital for medical attention. The injuries are so serious that we can only pray for their survival.”

Vanguard gathered that this would be the second time in less than a year that the bank had been robbed.



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1. *Danladi C* says:

[September 25, 2009 at 9:49 am](#)

This is very clear that there is incider from the police near the scean

2. *Isioma* says:

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That there is an insider is a forgone conclusion. This the same police force with a man like the IGP at its helm of affairs, why are we surprised? A police force lacking in basic intelligence gathering, do you honestly expect anything good of them? Their training is at best abysmal and lacking in quality, so its not surprising that they were

no where to be found when armed robbers struck. Please lets licence the local vigilante and train them to protect us, we DONOT have a police force.

3. *justice david* says:

[September 25, 2009 at 8:56 am](#)

jattu is the home base of the popular gov oshiomole who allocated six mobile men and siren hilux jeep to his mother as escort and guard. where were they when the robbers struck?.is operation thunder storm oshiomole security out fit meant for rigging election alone?what is the assembly members doing to reduce crime rate. what happened to the three billion security vote being utilized by oshiomole in this years budget.is the current robbers strike a plot to introduce a new security vote bill to edo legislators who does not see anything good in oshiomole

4. *osemwengie* says:

[September 25, 2009 at 8:48 am](#)

This is no news we are in a country already on the way out of fame and name ,we dont have a police force.the other day the IG of Police of that great nation was not aware of the visit of Noble man Mr Nuhu Ribadu ,Banks are not left out.

5. *AJ, EDMONTON* says:

[September 25, 2009 at 8:06 am](#)

I don't know why we have 9ja police, they are useless, GOD plz come and save my helpless country from the hand of yeye PDP govt that continue to do damage on our country day in day out, everything seems not working in 9ja, 9ja police, military, banking sector, education etc, 9ja police is only good for N20 at the roadblock, they kill bus drivers for N20 and let the armed robber to go away with Billions of 9ja, kudos to 9ja police. GOD PUNISH YOU ALL.....

6. *tony* says:

[September 25, 2009 at 7:45 am](#)

twice in one year? there must be an insider. Police should rise up if they r not part of the crime, covertly.

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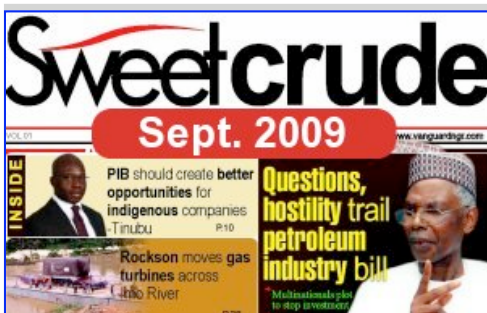
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