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## One shot dead as Police, robbers clash

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LAGOS – THE Police in Lagos, weekend, engaged a notorious gang of armed robbers in a fierce shootout and shot dead a member of the gang.

Sources said the gang had for some times, terrorized Onipanu area and environs. But luck ran against the armed gang, weekend, after a team of anti-robbery squad, which was on routine patrol of Shipeolu Street received a distress call on the activities of the hoodlums, who had raided about three buildings in the street. The team was reported to have promptly raced to the area following which a shootout ensued.

It was learnt that the gun duel between the armed robbers and the police which lasted for several minutes saw the men of the underworld bowing to the superior fire power of the police. Vanguard was hinted further that while the hoodlums were shooting their way to safety, one of them was caught in the cross fire and died on the spot while other escaped with bullet wounds.

The Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Samuel Jinadu, who confirmed the incident, said the matter had since been transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department, SCID, Panty, Yaba for further investigation, adding that efforts were already on to track down the fleeing gang members.

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