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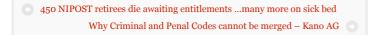


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# Policeman, banker killed in bullion van robbery attempt

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#### By DAYO JOHNSON

AKURE – A policeman and a bank official were reportedly killed in a shoot out between policemen and robbers who ambushed a bullion van along the Okitipupa -Igbokoda expressway in OndoState on Tuesday.

But police authorities denied the death of the any of the four policemen that accompanied the bullion van to offload cash at one of the first generation banks in the Southern part of the state.

It was, however, gathered that the timing by the robbers was wrong as the vehicle had offloaded the cash and was returning to base.

Police PRO, Wole Ogodo, confirmed, however, that one bank official died in the cross fire while some policemen equally sustained injuries.

Vanguard gathered that the corpses of the banker, Stephen Adu, and that of the policeman, whose rank and name could not be ascertained have been deposited at the Specialist hospital in Akure

Ogodo also said some of the robbers were equally wounded during the gun battle.

But sources said the robbers ambushed the bullion van and in the process a gun battle ensued between the four policemen in the van and the robbers numbering about 15.

*Vanguard* learnt that the robbers were, however, unable to break into the bullion van because the policemen were shooting from the van and stood their ground which was not expected by the robbers.

Sources said the robbers later fled into the bush while they reportedly carried their members that were injured.



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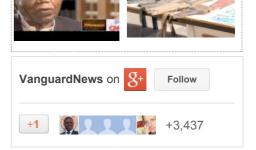
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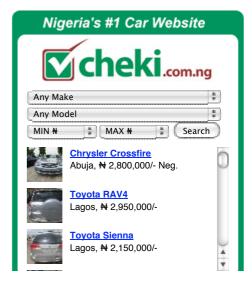


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By the time police reinforcement could come the robbers had reportedly disappeared into the bush.

Contacted the Police PRO, Ogodo confirmed the attack.

Ogodo said the robbers were unable to overpower the policemen that accompanied the cash moving van.

He added that they had to run into the bush because they did not expect that the policemen could confront them.

Ogodo said some policemen were wounded in the cross fire.

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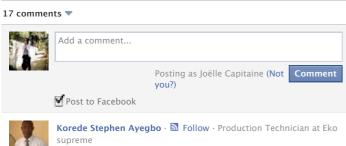
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I always get amused when I visit Nigeria and see the so called bullion vans with sirens blaring so loudly telling the whole world they are moving money. This is probably the most stupid way to move money around. With the siren blaring and the so much hoopla that goes with it what the money carriers are actually doing is advertize to the whole that they are caring money which itself is public announcement beckoning crooks to attack.

In this day and age of fast cellphone communication, all it would take to ambush the bullion van is for crooks to relay information to their gang members ahead of the road the money van is traveling. On sighting the van with siren telling the world it is carrying money a robber with "other robbers" connection could make a call like... "Yo Anini guess what? The money van just passed here with siren blaring which means there's money... They are heading your way. Tell Monday Osunbo to gear up. I am coming up from the rear."

In the part of the world I live armored money trucks travel all about without siren or any hoopla. You can't even tell whether









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they are carrying anything valuable so there's no allurement for crooks to attack them. I think Nigeria money movers should look for a more quiet, more blended way of moving money around. Even hearing the siren and knowing money is being moved could nudge somebody to [want to] attack.

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Na waa o. The way you take describe the strategy...bros, are you a robber?

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Chike\_Afanna → Sitanda • 15 days ago

You don't have to be a robber in order to understand how robbers think and strategize. Ask police men and women. You don't have to be a mad man in order to know how mad people think or act. Don't you know [that] to stop robbers you have to think like robbers do.

If you live in a functional society and is familiar with management meetings then you'd know this sort of discussion would come up in "bullion van" management meetings. In fact some bullion van managers and security planners would contract excons and robbers to teach the managers what to expect and how to prevent robbery. You'd hear earful about how the ex-robber would plan a robbery if he or she was still robbing. I don't think you understand the simple notion of thinking ahead of the curve or thinking like your foe in order to overcome the foe.

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Hey which part of the world there is no siren that goes with bullion van? i live in Belgium have been to other European countries, there are always siren with federal police escort it helps to clear the road and in case of any robbery attack. The pure reason is unemployment and the NPF lack enough fire power and logistics. so look for other excuse please.

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Siren is not used when money is moved in
the country where I studied and in the country where

where I live now.

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Siren is not used for money movement. anywhere in the world pls.Get that correct.Siren is for

emergencies such as fires,accidents,dangerous gas leaks etc.

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Chike\_Afanna → Enobakhare Michael • 15 days ago
Well I said in the country I live. I do not live in
Europe. I have lived a long time in North America and I
do not recall ever seeing an armored truck with siren
blazing (at least in the provinces and states I have
lived). They blend in with normal traffic and most of
the time you don't even notice they are there since
they do nothing to attract attention.

Talking of Belgium didn't robbers just carry out audacious diamond robbery at a Belgian airport? That diamond was loaded into an airplane by, I suppose, siren blazing armored truck that announced to the robbers they just delivered valuable goods to the plane right? You are making my point easier. Now don't get me wrong; I'm not saying armored trucks never get robbed in North America...I'm saying the quiet way they operate does not excite people into robbing them on the whim.

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Guy you funny o, but its the truth, the poor can go to blazes!

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#### onuigbo • 15 days ago

How come not a single armed robber was killed or captured, but they were able to kill a banker and a policeman, How do you know that any of the robbers were wounded, how does this help anybody? It shows that both the secuirty agencies and the banks do not have operational plans.

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#### abiamone • 15 days ago

Whatever happened to the cash-less society once envisaged by the central bank of Nigeria? It beggars belief that money is still moved in bullion vans in Nigeria in this 21st century. If debit and credit plastic cards are introduced, the need to physically carry or transfer large sums of money would be non-existent.

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May d soul of Adu Rest in peace.Amen.

Mike Ovo • 15 days ago

The story is deceitful. The police PRO said No police officer died but one banker did. While Vanguard reported that the Body of a Banker and of a Police officer were deposited in the Mutuary. Who is decieving who?

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Vanguard always report conflicting stories, I

wonder when their stories will ever streamline

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01chim52 • 16 days ago

Another horror, another senseless killing, another tragedy, another loss. Oh God, when will this callousness stop. Another terrible loss to a family,community, state, nation and humanity. May the souls of those killed, rest in perfect peace. Fellow nigerians, these senseless killings must stop, no matter the cause. We must pray, hold vigil, we must re-take our streets, our society, our country from these criminals, we must expose them. We must flush them out of our consciousness. YES WE CAN. We must help the law enforcement officers. These hoodlums are ripping us apart. They must not be allowed to succeed for the sake of our Future Generation.

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Chike\_Afanna → 01chim52 • 16 days ago
Sorry; violent death spirit is a Nigerian resident
with full Nigeria immigration resident permit. Historically,
Nigeria is a place where human life is taken without fear of
consequence because the official stance in Nigeria is
people have the right to kill anyone and get away with it...
Are you getting any clue?

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