

Two officers killed in Osun bank robbery — *POLICE*

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OSOGBO—FOLLOWING the invasion of a first-generation bank, Tuesday, in Iragbiji, Boriye local government area of Osun state, by armed robbers, the state police command, yesterday, disclosed that two policemen died in the attack.

Daredevil armed robbers numbering about 20 invaded Iragbiji, attacked the bank and divisional police headquarters in the town simultaneously before escaping with their loot.

The Osun State police spokesperson, SP Yemisi Opalola, in a statement, yesterday, stated that the robbers who attacked the bank and police station simultaneously in a commando-style demobilised the Armoured Personnel Carrier, APC, vehicle with explosive.

She added that the daredevil robbers engaged the police at the division in a gun duel, as well as the tactical teams, who were in the town as reinforcement.

"The armed robbers numbering about twenty (20) came in commando-like style with about 4 vehicles and simultaneously attacked Iragbiji Divisional Police Headquarters and Wema Bank Iragbiji.

"The robbers invaded the Police Divisional Headquarters and Wema Bank with sporadic shooting and launching of explosive devices in an attempt to disorganize, incapacitate and destabilize the police who were in a fierce gun battle with them while robbing Wema Bank simultaneously."

"As a result, some parts of Divisional Police Headquarters was damaged. The daredevils also shot at a Police Armoured Personnel Carrier tyres with explosive devices."