

# 3 policemen die in Abuja auto crash

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**A**buja—At least three police officers, Sunday, lost their lives in a motor accident along Kubwa-Zuba expressway when the patrol van in which they were travelling crashed into drainage after losing a tyre on motion.

The accident, which occurred opposite Gwarimpa Estate section of the road, involved operatives of the Special Tactical Squad (STS) of the police attached to the Force Headquarters.

Eye-witness said the speed of the vehicle and the impact of the collision on the drainage pavement caused the instant death of the three officers while others sustained injuries.

A witness said: "I was about crossing the road to the other lane when the police patrol van on top speed, suddenly lost control and crashed into the drainage divide, leaving three policemen dead."

The police officers were said to be heading to Kaduna for a special assignment before the accident



*The accident scene.*

occurred.

Officials of the Federal Road Safety Commission, FRSC, and the FCT Emergency Management Agency were later seen evacuating the bodies to an undisclosed hospital.

FCT Police Public Relations Officer, Josephine Adeh, who confirmed the incident, said it was a sad development, pointing out that she did not have of the number of casualties.