



## **Ebonyi: Police arrest soldiers, others for bullion van robbery**

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### **NIGERIA: -**

**Abakaliki-** Seven suspects including serving and dismissed soldiers have been arrested over the attack on a bullion van that led to the death of four policemen in Ebonyi State.

Recall that the bullion van which was coming from Enugu State came under attack in Abakaliki, Ebonyi state capital on July 29, 2020.

A manhunt launched by operatives of the Inspector-General of Police Intelligence Response Team (IRT) with technical Intelligence Support from TIU led to the arrest of 45-year-old Alfred Robinson. The suspect, who is a native of Gelegele Town in Ovia North LGA of Edo State, was arrested on 1/8/2020 in Asaba, Delta State.

Six more gang members were arrested by IRT Detectives within 24hrs. They include: Sgt Ayeni Samuel, a Nigerian Soldier serving in Ikeja, Lagos; Cpl Emeka Harrison a dismissed Soldier who had served in Maiduguri Borno State; Emeka Illo, the Sponsor of the operation; and Abuchi Elijah Aka " Chime D Mosquito" an Informant for the robbers and Ibanifiroi Ekiene a native of Tombia Community.

12 undetonated improvised explosives, one GPMG, six rifles, 51 AK-47 magazines, 1,620 ammunition, 2 robbed

vehicles, breaking implements and charms were recovered from the suspect who have reportedly confessed to the bullion van robbery in Ebonyi State.

The suspects who also confessed that 4 out of the rifles recovered belongs to the Policemen they killed during the robbery, are reportedly assisting the police in arresting the remaining members of their gang.