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**Jakarta.** Two members of Brimob, the National Police's mobile brigade unit, were wounded when gunmen opened fire on a patrol in Papua on Saturday (21/10).

A police spokesman said the incident occurred at 12.35 p.m. in the hamlet of Utikini in Tembagapura district.

Tembagapura is about an hour's drive from the Grasberg Mine, operated by Freeport Indonesia, a subsidiary of United States mining giant Freeport-McMoRan.

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"When members of Brimob arrived in the village near Sangker Mountain, they came under fire from a criminal group led by Sabinus Waker," Papua Police spokesman Suryadi Diaz said in a statement.

Two police officers were shot, one in the left leg and another in the stomach; they were taken to Freeport Indonesia's hospital, Suryadi said.

"Police are still looking for the group, led by Sabinus Waker," the spokesman added.

In a separate incident in Tembagapura earlier on the same day, an unidentified gunman opened fire on a car driven by an employee of mining contractor Mitra Siaga. The driver sustained minor injuries, Freeport Indonesia confirmed.

Suryadi said police are also searching for the perpetrator in this attack.