

# N25m fraud

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**E**CONOMIC and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) yesterday arraigned three bank staff, two civil servants and two companies before Justice Patrick Afen of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) High Court, Abuja on a three-count charge of fraud, conspiracy to commit fraud, forgery of public sector accounts and obtaining

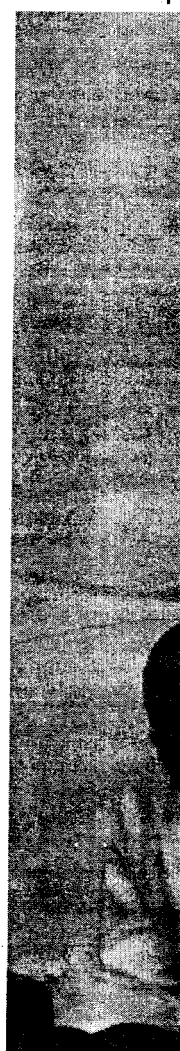
under false pretence to the tune of N25.4 Million.

The accused persons who allegedly defrauded Mrs. Juliet Uzor, the nominal complainant are: Napoleon Obaje Adofu, Branch Manager, Oceanic Bank, Karu; Augustine Odinawor, Branch Manager, Fidelity Bank Gwagwalada; Patrick Onyekachi, staff of Equatorial Trust Bank, Abuja; Reuben Omotayo, Staff of FCDA and Abdulmalik Isa Teina,

staff of Abuja Information System.

They were alongside two Yombor Ventures and Aicoor Limited.

Soon after, the count charges against the accused persons



•Patrick Onyekachi

## Delta police parade robbers for killing soldier, others

BARRY AGBANIGBI,  
Asaba

**D**ELTA State Police Command yesterday paraded a gang of dare-devil armed robbery suspects who allegedly killed an army L/CPL, Uman Asufa while escorting the Manager of the Petroleum Pipeline and Marketing Company (PPMC) at Abraka, Ethiopia West Local Government Area of the state.

Those arrested include Ufuoma Akpofure John, Osabase Osaze, a.k.a OZ, who allegedly shot and killed another member of the gang, Peter Kpeki, over the sharing formula of their loot and threw him into a river.

The gang was also said to have killed four police Inspectors and rank and file in Warri and Abraka areas of the state.

The state Commissioner of Police, Ayo Ikechuckwu Aduba, who paraded them and their loot in Asaba yesterday, said the gang was responsible for the atrocities and "high profile kidnapping activities in Warri, Asaba and their environs."

The CP said, the gang invaded Warri market in 2011, cart away jewelries valued at millions of naira.

He also fingered the gang in the Warri jail break that saw to the escape of many inmates in a desperate bid to free some convicted gang members.

He said they however ran out of luck two days ago after a tip-off that the gang was recouping at their hideout in Otefe-Oghara in Ethiopia East Local Government Area of the state where they were allegedly plotting with one Bishop Ogedegbe a.k.a Apollo, to kidnap one Chief Ayeremi Ename, the Akulagba of Warri Kingdom for N200 million.

The CP said, "Ufuoma Akpofure on interrogation

the Security Patrol Team to Agbor / Benin express road in Benin-City where the said Osabase Osaze, the vicious gang leader was arrested."

According to the CP, the suspect (Osabase Osaze) who relocated from Warri to Benin to evade arrest had confessed killing the Kpeki and threw the body into the Ologbo River.

While he described the suspects as "devil incarnates", he said "diligent efforts are on to track down the die-hard animalistic gang members and collaborators", even as he paraded the items recovered from them to include one Audi 80 saloon car, with registration number JD 100 ABC, three AK 47 rifles number 4528/24011417 and 12245 and 11 AK 47 magazines.

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**T**HE police in Katsina State on Thursday arraigned Abdullahi Bala and three others before a Katsina Chief Magistrates' Court on two count charge of alleged poisoning and armed robbery.

Prosecutor Okolo Usman told the court that the suspects lured one Sani Mu'azu, a cotton dealer in Kandarawa, Bakori Local Government Area that they had cotton for sell in Gwarzo, Kano State.

He said that on their way to Gwarzo the suspects poisoned their victim and robbed him of N750, 000.

Usman said that Mu'azu reported the case to the police for investigation and the police arrested of three out of the four suspects.

He said that the offence was contrary to Section 97(1) (a) (b) of the robbery and fire arms special provision, Cap 398 Law of the Federation, 1990.

The Chief Magistrate, Alhaji Nuraddeen Jikamshi, ordered that the accused persons be remanded in prison and adjourned the