

Police kill 3 kidnappers, rescue abducted doctor in Benue

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The Police in Benue State have confirmed the killing of three suspected kidnappers and the rescue of a medical doctor in Gboko area of the state.

Spokesperson of the police in the state, DSP Catherine Anene, told newsmen at the command headquarter in Makurdi, that a special security squad known as Operation Zenda, rescued the medical doctor after a fierce gun battle with the suspected kidnappers.

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Anene explained that the said medical doctor, Emmanuel Orhember, of Baiki hospital was found and rescued from the kidnappers den in Mbayior forest in an operation led by SP Justin Gberindyer, who engaged the suspected abductors in a gun duel which resulted in the killing of three of the kidnappers while others fled with bullet wounds.

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She said the kidnap of the medical doctor last week drew the attention of the command which quickly sent operatives to fish out the culprits.

She added that the police were already on the trail of the fleeing kidnappers while the medical practitioner has since reunited with his family.

Anene listed items recovered from the suspected abductors' den to include, charms, arms and ammunition, phones and sim cards.

Meanwhile, the rescued doctor while narrating his ordeal to newsmen, recalled that some gunmen stormed his house and took him away blindfolded.

He added that for three days, he laid on the ground and was beaten with his head bruised while his ankle and leg were shot at by one of the abductors who asked him to provide an amount of money that he never possessed.

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