

One dead as gunmen in army uniform abducts 2 in Kwara

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Gunmen on Saturday in Alapa, Asa Local Government Area of Kwara State abducted two persons, Alhaji Usman Babatunde Zulu and Abdulhakeem Aminu, killing another person in the process.

Zulu is the brother of a former Commissioner for Energy and one time local government Chairman in the state, Alhaji Tajudeen Zulu

Oloje, who is now a block merchant.

The other victim, Aminu, is a resident of Anifowose, in Ilorin West Local Government Area.

The gunmen numbering about 10 in army uniform who reportedly stormed the hotel of Babatunde on Saturday night shot sporadically into the air before the victims were kidnapped.

Bullets from their fired shots however hit one Razaq of Oloje area, Ilorin who died at the front of

the hotel.

Speaking on the incident, the former commissioner told Daily Trust on Sunday that his brother (Babatunde) miraculously escaped from his abductors after the incident but sustained gunshot wounds.

He added that he had been taken to a private hospital for treatment.

Credible sources in the area said the abductors had contacted the family of the victim, demanding for

N16m ransom.

Confirming the incident, the police in a statement on Sunday signed by Ajayi Okasanmi, Kwara State Command Public Relations Officer, said the target of the kidnap was Babatunde, the owner of the hotel who escaped into the bush during the attack with injuries.

He however lamented one Abdulhakeem Aminu of Anifowose area, Ilorin was abducted by the Kidnappers.