

Police kill kidnapper in Edo

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A suspected kidnapper has been killed by the police during a gun battle in Edo State.

City & Crime learnt that the gun duel followed a kidnapping attempt when suspected kidnappers blocked the Benin-Lagos expressway.

It was also learnt that the kidnappers, on sighting the police, engaged them in a gun battle and in the process one of the kidnappers was killed while the others escaped.

Speaking with journalists on the incident, the command's spokesperson, Kontongs Bello, said the hoodlums barricaded the highway in a bid to kidnap travellers.

Mr Bello said the police, acting on credible information, mobilised to the scene and the hoodlums engaged them in a shootout which led to killing of one of the kidnappers.