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The command also recovered the victim's black-coloured Lexus 350 Jeep alongside one locally made revolver gun loaded with four cartridges and another locally fabricated pistol belonging to the suspects.

This is contained in a statement issued by the command's spokesman, DSP Daniel Ndukwe, on Tuesday in Enugu.

Ndukwe said police operatives, led by the Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of Operations, Mr Olasoji Akinbayo, carried out the successful operation on August 20 at about 8 pm at Centenary Layout along Enugu/Port-Harcourt Expressway.

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He said the police operatives were drawn from the NPF Special Forces, Awkunanaw Police Division, and tactical teams of the command.

"Following the policing thrust and renewed crime-fighting impetus of the state's Commissioner of Police, Mr Kanayo Uzuegbu, a combined team of police operatives rescued a male kidnap victim after a gunfight with the hoodlums.

"One of the miscreants, simply identified as "Baron", was neutralised on the spot in the ensuing shootout, while others escaped with varying degrees of gunshot wounds.

"However, a further manhunt for the fleeing members of the gang led to the discovery and recovery of the lifeless body of the second neutralised hoodlum.

"The second neutralised hoodlum was simply identified as Chukwunonso a.k.a. "Nolly", in the morning hours of Aug. 21 in a forest at the location of the gun duel," he said.

Ndukwe said the two neutralised criminals had been on the watch list of the command. (NAN)