

Police kill kidnapper, rescue Sokoto lawyer

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One suspected kidnapper was killed and another injured as police rescued Barrister Rukayya Mustapha, a Sokoto lawyer abducted last week. Mustapha and Salim Abdussalam were taken from her residence in the Basin Runjin area of Sokoto.

Addressing the press on Thursday, Sokoto State police commissioner, Hayatu Kaigama, said on May 29, police operatives

from the Yabo Division, in collaboration with the military and a vigilante group, acted on credible information to launch a rescue mission.

"The team arrived at the scene near the Binji axis and traced footprints leading towards a forest. The suspected bandits/kidnappers were located and confronted, resulting in the rescue of three victims," Kaigama said.

During the operation, one suspect was neutralised and another was fatally injured.

The police recovered 10 rounds of live ammunition, two solar panels, a Tecno mobile phone, and a blanket from the scene.

4 In a separate incident, the police arrested Saifullah Hassan of Gummi Local Government Area, Zamfara State, who allegedly murdered his girlfriend in a Sokoto hotel room last Friday. Additionally, Abdulnasir Bello was arrested for alleged impersonation and cheating.