

Police Gun Down Kidnappers Of Ex-AIG's Wife, Rescue Victim



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Operatives of the Nigeria Police Force attached with Ogun State command have neutralised the kidnappers who abducted the wife of Hakeem Odumosu, a retired Assistant Inspectors-General of Police.

A yet-to-be-revealed amount of money paid as ransom to the kidnappers was also recovered by the security forces who had strategically launched manhunt for the criminals.

Daily Trust reports that Mrs Odumosu was kidnapped last week Thursday when the abductors invaded their residence located at the Arepo area of Ogun State.



According to the Force Public Relations Officer, ACP Olumuyiwa Adejobi, the victim was rescued unhurt and currently undergoing medical evaluation.

He added that the sum of N10m paid as ransom was also recovered by security operatives during the raid at the kidnappers’ den in the swampy area of Ikorodu, Lagos State.

“In a commendable display of teamwork and swift action, police operatives attached to the Ogun State Command have successfully neutralized the kidnappers of Mrs. Odumosu, wife of Retired Assistant-Inspector General, AIG Hakeem Odumosu, and rescued her unharmed,” the statement read.

“On January 16, 2025, at approximately 9:45 PM, four masked gunmen forcibly abducted Mrs. Odumosu from her Lexus Jeep outside her residence in Arepo, Ogun State.

“The abduction sparked an immediate response from the anti-kidnapping unit of the Ogun State Police Command, who commenced a thorough investigation and targeted pursuit of the kidnappers.

“With the support of the Force Headquarters technical intelligence platforms, the Ogun State police operatives engaged in extensive surveillance of the creeks surrounding Arepo, gathering crucial information to track down the assailants.

“Their efforts culminated in a raid on January 23, 2025, at around 06:45 AM. The intelligence-led operation took the police to a creek in the swampy area of Ikorodu where the kidnappers were reportedly planning their next attack.

“Upon arrival, the operatives encountered the kidnappers, who opened fire.

In the ensuing confrontation, two of the gunmen were neutralized, while four others fled the scene, abandoning their operational weapons.

“The victim, Mrs Odumosu was rescued within the swampy creeks during the operation, unharmed.

“She is currently undergoing medical evaluation as a precautionary measure and has since been reunited with her family. The police also recovered 4 AK-47 rifles, 3 locally made single barrel rifles, ammunition of various calibres, and the sum of N10,000,000 ransom previously demanded by the kidnappers, further ensuring that justice is served.

“The Inspector-General of Police, IGP Kayode Adeolu Egbetokun, PhD, NPM., has commended the Ogun State Commissioner of Police, CP Lanre Ogunlowo, and his operatives for their displayed gallantry in this successful operation.

“This operation exemplifies the dedication and resilience of our Police officers. The Nigeria Police Force remains steadfast in its mission to combat kidnapping and other violent crimes, providing safety and security to all citizens.”