

CRIME NOTES

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ABUJA

SACKED: ABOUT 16 police officers were among those sacked in the ongoing reorganisation rocking the Nigerian Police Force. The Guardian, learnt most of the affected officers were indicted for certain offence before down for sack.

OYO

THUGERY: THE Nigerian Police are still finding it difficult to curtail the use of persons believed to be thugs by politicians to disrupt peace in the state. The Inspector General of Police, Sunday Ehindero has directed the state Commissioner of Police to arrest anyone suspected to be thug in the state.

NASARAWA

TORTURED: POLICE are now investigating one of its officers who allegedly tortured a suspect to death. The victim, believed to be farmer, hailed from Dungu Village in Lafia East Local Council of the state.

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KILLED: GUNMEN, suspected to be militants, has shot dead two policemen along Cargo Airport Road, Owerri. After the shooting, the men also kidnapped a lady, believed to be foreigner, and took her to an unknown destination.

RIVERS

ABDUCTED: A female Filipino national has been reported kidnapped by men suspected to be militants within the oil rich Niger-Delta region. Men of the Joint Task Force and Police are now trailing the kidnappers, while government is also working hard to ensure her release. She is the first female to be abducted since the militants started such operation.

LAGOS

RECOVERED ARMS:- ON Jan. 29, at about 10am, security men attached to ASCON Oil Company, while clearing a bush in the company premises at No.27, Balarabe Musa Street, Victoria Island recovered one AK-49 rifle, number DD17301989 with five rounds of live ammunition. The case is under investigation.

FATAL MOTOR ACCIDENT:- On Feb 4, at about 11am, a report was received at Ilasamaja Police Station that a Nissan Sunny S/Car, with Reg. No. Ck 981 KTU, driven by one 29-year-old Chineze Ezechukwu of Plot 3080, Festac Link Estate, Amuwo-Odofin ran over a yet-to-be identified adult male pedestrian at Iyana-Isolo Bus Stop, along Oshodi-Apapa Expressway. Victim was rushed to General Hospital, where he later gave up the ghost. Body has been deposited at public mortuary for autopsy. The case is under investigation.

Why Fuel Scarcity May Persist