

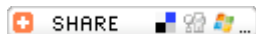
# Delta police kill four suspected kidnappers , warn motorists

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THE end suddenly came on Thursday, for four suspected kidnappers in Eku, Ethiope East Council of the Delta State when they fell to the superior fire power of officers of the Delta State Police Command .

According to the Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Charles Muka, the kidnappers had seized one Mr. Amadi Chinedu, a staff of Chevron Nigeria Limited along Refinery Road, Effurun but were trailed to Eku by the police who shot them dead in a fierce gun battle.

He said the suspected hoodlums who sustained serious injuries from gunshots died on the way to the hospital while the victim was rescued .

Three cut-to-size guns, a G3 rifle and two vehicles were also recovered.

In another development, three other kidnapped victims escaped from their abductors who abandoned them at the foot of Oghara Bridge in Mosogar, along the Benin-Sapele expressway when the police closed in on them.

The kidnapped were a family of three -Mr. Ehis Igbehi, his mother, Mrs. Theresa Igbehi and his sister, Precious Igbehi were abducted along the expressway while returning to Benin in the family's Kia Saloon car with registration number AY 472 USL.

The Delta police spokesman said the gang returned from the bush where they had kept the family to the same spot to whisk away one Pedro Tudeme, a staff of one of the branches of a new generation bank in Benin.

Muka also said that kidnappers may have developed another strategy as they now go to the highway to waylay victims who they perceive to be rich going by the type of cars they drive.

"They normally force their victims out of their vehicles and lead into the bush where a huge ransom is demanded from relatives of the victims through phone call."

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