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Security agents kill Don Waney's aide

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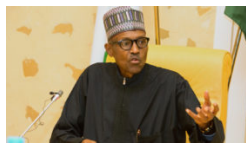
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Security agents have killed Austin Agulegbu, the Chief Security Officer (CSO) to the late kidnap kingpin, Don Waney, in compliance with the presidential directive to fish out the killers of over 23 persons in Omoku on New Year's Day.

Agulegbu, who was the sixth in Command of Don Waney's criminal gang, had been on the wanted list of security agencies following a directive from the Presidency to bring to justice the perpetrators of the heinous killings of 23 innocent residents of Omoku in Ogba/Egbema/Ndoni Local Council of Rivers State on January 1, 2018 by the notorious Don Waney criminal cult group.

Deputy Director, Army Public Relations, Col. Aminu Iliyasu, said troops of 222 Battalion of the Nigerian Army, in conjunction with operatives of the Department of State Services, Rivers State Command, tracked Agulegbu down in Delta State.



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He said: "After a painstaking effort by the security agencies, Austin was traced to his hideout at a location along New Sapele Road, Obiaruku, in Ukwani Local Council of Delta State in the early hours of February 14, 2018. He was among the killer squad that killed 23 worshippers returning from the Crossover vigil on January 1, 2018 at Omoku, Rivers State.

"Agulegbu was, however, shot during an encounter with the security operatives and died before reaching the hospital. His body had been brought to Port Harcourt and handed over to the Rivers State Police Command.

He stated that reliable information also has it that the late Agulegbu and other gang members still at large were already making plans to attack security agencies' locations, churches and schools within Rivers State as a reprisal to the clampdown on their remnants now at large.

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