

# Police kill ex-militant on kidnap mission

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ONE OF THE militants recently granted amnesty by the Federal Government was on Monday shot dead during a gun battle with the police while on kidnap mission in Benin, the Edo State capital.

The ex-militant, Grikpa Louis, with amnesty identity card NO. ED/138 from Ovia North-East of the state was a member of a nine-man kidnapping gang who successfully kidnapped two men on Monday afternoon in Benin.

The police arrested three other members of his gang whose names were given as Wanbi Amos Corper, Boro Pereware and Godson Ekpe.

That kidnap victims were freed, while other members of the gang escaped.

The two young men who were abducted by the kidnappers were said to be working on their elder sister's site at Ewodia along the Ogba area of Benin when they fell prey to the kidnappers who placed a ransom of N50 million on them before they could be released.

Reports say luck however ran out of the kidnappers when the police mobilised and rescued the victims at Iguikpe Waterside along Ogba Zoo Road, Benin.