## Three Children Found Dead Inside Car, Two Others Rescued In Enugu Community

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**ENUGU** – Tragedy struck in Itchi Community of Igbo-Eze South Local Government Area as the lifeless bodies of three children were found in a parked Toyota Camry Car.

It was learnt that two other children were also rescued alive in the same car and were rushed to the hospital where they are receiving treatment.

It was further revealed that the five children who were earlier declared missing left their home to fetch water in a neighboring community.

A statement made available to journalists by ASP Daniel Ndukwe, Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of Enugu State Police Command informed that police received the report of the ugly incident and immediately swung to action which led to the rescue of the two children but unfortunately the other three were found dead.

He said, "On November 23, 2020, the Command received a report made at Igbo-Eze South Divisional Headquarters that three children were found dead in a parked Toyota Camry Car in Itchi Community of Igbo-Eze South Local Government Area.

"On receipt of the report, Operatives of the Division dashed to the scene and found two (2) of the children still alive, while three others were lifeless.

"The surviving children were immediately taken to the hospital for medical attention, while the lifeless ones have been deposited in the mortuary for medical autopsy.

"Preliminary investigation reveals that the children belonging to different parents, include one Chukwuebuka Ele (male, aged 5), Chinyere Eze (female, aged 4) and Chibugoh Eze (female, aged 4) all found lifeless as well as Kingsley Eze (male, aged 3) Nmasichukwu Eze (female, aged 12) both found alive.

"It further reveals that the children had left their homes in Nkalagu-Okpuku Community of the same Local Government Area to fetch water from a borehole in Itchi, a neighbouring community, on November 22, 2020 and were not seen till the following morning when they were found locked up in the said vehicle.

"Consequently, the Commissioner of Police, CP Ahmad AbdurRahman, has directed the transfer of the case to the State CID and the launch of a full-scale investigation to ascertain the cause of their death as well as arrest and prosecute the culprits," he said.

He tasks parents and guardians to be vigilant and take good care of their children/wards, especially in these "Ember" months, while reassuring the public of adequate security.

The PRO also disclosed that one suspect has been arrested in connection with the case.