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The National Drug Law Enforcement Agency (NDLEA) has intercepted two suspected fake military officers in a new VIP edition of Toyota Hilux loaded with a total of 394 compressed parcels of illicit drugs concealed in different parts of the vehicle.

The suspected fake military officers, Mohammed Nura and Abubakar Dahiru, were said to have been intercepted by vigilant operatives of the Kogi State Command of the NDLEA along Okene-Lokoja expressway on Monday, February 16, 2021.

The NDLEA Commander, Kogi State Command, Mr. Adewunmi Alfred, the VIP edition of the Hilux Jeep was properly searched during which 394 compressed blocks of cannabis sativa were discovered in different compartments of the vehicle.

Adewunmi said, "Our initial investigations have revealed that the consignment was taken from Lagos and heading to Kano for delivery. Though the two men identified themselves as military officers but that did not sway our men from a thorough search of their

## NDLEA Intercepts Suspected Fake Military Officers With 234kg Illicit Drugs



The illicit drugs

vehicle and the result was the discovery of the illicit drugs tucked in every hid-

den part of the vehicle."

"Indeed, we suspect the two men to be fake military

officers until proven otherwise," he stated in a brief to the Chairman/Chief Exec-

utive of the NDLEA, Brig. General Mohamed Buba Marwa (Retd) on Monday.

He added that the vehicle has been impounded, the illicit drugs seized and the suspects detained for

further investigations

"Investigations have commenced and the outcome would be forwarded for further directives and appropriate action," he added.

## Man Allegedly Stabs Brother To Death In Delta

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WARRI

A man identified simply as Mr. Daniel Agbayigolo, has allegedly stabbed his younger brother to death in Ughoton community, Okpe Local Government Council Area of Delta State.

Daily Independent learnt that the incident occurred on Monday.

Details of what led to the incident were still sketchy as at press time but sources said, "The deceased reportedly went to settle a dispute

between the younger brother and his wife."

When contacted for comment, the State Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), SP Onome Onovwakpoye, confirmed the incident to our Warri correspondent on telephone.

She said, "It is true, but the suspect has taken to hiding."

Onovwakpoye who is a Superintendent of Police said, "Yes, but the murderer is at large."

When asked about what led to the incident, SP Onome said the two brothers were quarrelling.

## Cries As Armed Robbers Take Over Nkpor Junction

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ONITSHA

Dare devil tricycle (keke) armed robbers who have been terrorising Nkpor Junction (round-about) Idemili North local Government Area of Anambra State, Monday, reportedly robbed at about 6 p.m. thereby causing stampede among travellers and road side traders.

No fewer than 10 peo-

ple were said to have been robbed of their cash, GSM handsets and other valuables by the men of the underworld.

The first gang of the robbers who numbered about five rode on tricycle with registered commercial colour when it stormed the scene.

They were said to have robbed at gunpoint, shooting indiscriminately to scare anybody that dared them.

A victim who pleaded an-

onymity said, "The armed robbers robbed people on daily basis and the police are not here to challenge them."

Since the killing of two policemen here at Nkpor Junction about a month ago, the police have run away from here and that is why the robbers have field day.

"They rob at will and people run away on hourly basis every day because the police are not there. Road side traders no longer shut shops at the normal closing

hours but earlier because of attack."

Also a shop owner who simply identified himself as Okoh said, "My brother, we are in trouble here; they rob us daily and nobody is challenging them, even yesterday they stabbed some people with breaking bottles."

"Police ran away when two of the policemen who were stationed at the place were shot dead by the robbers and since then they have been robbing us."

## Gunmen Kill Two Policemen As Woman, 75, Dies From Stray Bullet

MICHAEL OLADAPO  
ASABA

Gunmen on Monday night shot and killed two policemen attached to 'Operation Delta Safe' along Ugbolu/Ilah Road, Oshimili North Local Government Area of Delta State.

Daily Independent gathered that the incident occurred around 8 p.m. at a failed spot near Lake Town Hotel, Ugbolu.

It was learnt that the gun-

men opened fire on the policemen at their checkpoint along Ugbolu/Ilah Road.

The attackers reportedly carted away rifles belonging to officers who died during the shootout, while the other police officers scampered for safety.

Our source, a bus driver, who pleaded anonymity, lamented that the road had been a safe haven for armed robbers who unleash terror on innocent passengers and drivers on a regular basis particularly at night.

## Police Foil Armed Robbery Attack In Abuja

●Launch Manhunt For Fleeing Suspects Who Killed Resident At Apo-Dutse

JOSEPH UNDU  
ABUJA

ASP Yusuf Marlam, Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Police Command Abuja has said, the command has in the wee hours of Tuesday repelled a four-man armed robbery gang at 7th Avenue Gwarinpa.

The PPRO in a statement sent to Daily Independent said, two members of the gang were neutralised by the operatives after attacking and dispossessing victims of their possessions.

She said, "Two members of the gang met their death after attempting to escape with the stolen items while the others fled. Fortunately,

all the stolen items including computer gadgets, mobile phones and a huge sum of money were recovered by Police Operatives from Gwarinpa."

In another development, on the same date, she said a notorious gang of armed robbers attacked and stole the belongings of a resident at Apo-Dutse along Apo axis.

"Unfortunately, the daredevils shot the resident dead and left his security guard with a gunshot injury. Thankfully, the security guard is responding to treatment. Consequently, the Commissioner of Police, Bala Ciroma, has launched a manhunt to arrest and prosecute all the fleeing suspects while commiserating with the families and friends of the deceased," she added.

The Command, however, wished to reiterate its unflinching commitment to the protection of lives and property within the FCT.

It also provided the public with phone numbers to call and report all suspicious movements within their vicinity or during emergency or distress. The numbers are 08032003913, 08061581938, 07057337653 and 09028940883.

To report the conduct of Police Officers, members of the public are enjoined to call the Public Complaints Bureau (PCB) Line: 09022222352.

The shot armed robbers

