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## Soldiers Beat Police Officer To Death In Lagos



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**LAGOS** – Soldiers from the Ojo Military Cantonment on Wednesday beat a police officer identified as Inspector Monday Orube to death in Lagos over rights to way.

The Soldiers who were said to be over thirty (30) in numbers were reported to have kidnapped two policemen who were working as traffic warden to their barracks while the third officer managed to escape from being kidnapped.

A source claimed that the lane through which the Soldiers were driving in a Coastal bus was stopped by the three Police Officers who were on duty at the time of the incident to allow other road users on the other lane to pass not knowing that the coastal bus was conveying Soldiers who were still behind.

The Soldiers got infuriated and insisted on taking one-way during an argument with the Officers.

They were said to have pounced on the officers and beat them to a pulp. The Soldiers also kidnapped two of the police officers to their barracks where the beating continued.

The source further said when the soldiers noticed that the abducted policemen became unconscious, they decided to take them to their hospital at the cantonment.

However, one of the Police Officers. Inspector Monday Orube unfortunately gave up the ghost on Thursday afternoon.

Another source further disclosed that the Soldiers who were going to their cantonment in a coastal bus, were stopped by the Police Officers and they got angry and asked why Civilians will be allowed to pass before them.

"The three traffic wardens were beaten by over 30 Soldiers before they were abducted to their cantonment."

One of them was unconscious and they were both taken to their hospital.

The officers were kidnapped while their rifles which include two AK 47, with over seventy rounds of ammunition has been in the custody of the Soldiers since Wednesday when the incident happened and they are yet to be returned as at the time of filing this report.

The Soldiers involved in this unlawful act were said to be among the lowest in rank who have only spent four years in service while the Police Officers are senior officers with over twenty years in service.

When contacted on the incident, the Police Public Relations Officer, Lagos State Command, SP Benjamin Hundeyin confirmed that the incident happened.

He said: "It is true that an incident occurred between our officers and some soldiers numbering up to thirty on Wednesday around the Ojo area of the State."

He however said that the Command and the sister Agency (The Army) involved in the incident are working together to resolve the issue.



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