Gunmen Kill Police Officer, Kidnap Driver In Delta

A police officer has been shot dead by suspected gunmen who also kidnapped a driver in Delta State. The driver, simply identified as Anthony is the official driver of Engr. Andrew Obiazi, the transition committee chairman of Ika South local government area, was abducted at Alihame junction (opposite the High Court) in Agbor.

The incident occurred at 9pm on Thursday when he was returning from where he dropped the police orderly of the council chief while the police officer was allegedly shot dead a few metres away from where the council driver was abducted by the gunmen. According to Obiazi, since the incident occurred on that fateful night, nothing has been heard of the kidnapped driver or his abductors.

Obiazi disclosed that all attempts made to establish contact with the abductors of the driver were unsuccessful, adding that this has heightened tension on the safety of the driver. While appealing to the abductors of his official driver to release him, the council boss urged security operatives in the area to intensify their efforts in order to rescue his driver unhurt. When contacted for comment on the development, the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) in charge of the Agbor Division of the Nigeria Police, SP Albert Uchechi Dike, could not be reached at press time for comments on the development as he was said to have gone out for some official engagements.

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