

# Assassins Kill SSS Officer In Delta, Police Arrest 23 Suspected Armed Robbers, Cultists

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Unidentified gun men believed to be hired assassins have on Wednesday, allegedly killed an officer of the state security service (SSS) in Asaba, Delta State.

Reports said the officer was shot dead while doing his official work around Okpanam community by the unknown gunmen who after the evil acts, disappeared into the thin air.

It was reliably gathered that the SSS killing may have been informed by the 2015 elections where he played some inexplicable roles.

Identified as Joseph (surname withheld), our informed source said the assassins trailed him right from the location of his primary assignment until he was allegedly shot close to his abode in

Okpanam Community.

Unconfirmed sources said the officer at his abode was instructed to step out from his privately owned car before they rained bullets on him. But the Police Public Relation Officer in the State, DSP Celestina Kalu, who confirmed the killing of the officer, said calls were made to his family members by the assassins, informing them that they are not assassins but kidnappers and were demanding N10 million.

DSP Kalu stated that the ransom demand baffled everyone in the know, disclosing that it was a cover to kill him while assuring that security agents would do their best to fish out the assassins.

DSP Kalu said the officer was in his late thirties and was survived by a wife

and two children, noting that the body of the deceased had been deposited in the FMC mortuary.

Meanwhile, as part of the efforts to stem the rising cases of criminality in Delta State, police detectives at the state police command, have arrested no fewer than 23 suspected kidnapers and cultist at different parts of the State.

Speaking to our journalists yesterday at the command premises, the police commissioner, Alkali Baba Usman, assured members of the public that the police will do its best to secure lives and property in all parts of the State.

The police boss commanded vigilante members in the State for collaborating with the police to fight crime and appealed to Deltans to continue to maintain peace among themselves.

The devil is not so black as he is painted.