

## KIDNAPPING: Police Kill 3 Suspects In Rivers

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Men of the Rivers State Police Command yesterday killed three suspected kidnappers at Umuebule waterfront in Etche local government area of the state.

The police public relations officer (PPRO) in the state, Ahmad Muhammad, in a statement issued in Port Harcourt, said the policemen, drawn from the tactical unit of the command, also succeeded in rescuing two kidnapped victims, Chris Lebare and George Amuobi, from the kidnappers' den.

Muhammad stated that Labare and Amuobi were kidnapped on November 22, 2015, separately along Rumuokoro and Rumuigbo Roads, adding that two locally made pistols, one axe and charms were recovered from the hideout.

The statement reads in part, "The Rivers State Police Command wishes to inform members of the public on its activities particularly the continued onslaught against the suspected criminals' hideout.

"On 01/12/2015 at about 4:30am, a tactical unit of the Command stormed Umubele waterfront in Port Harcourt and successfully rescued two more kidnapped victims namely Chris Lebare and George Amuobi. The duo were differently kidnapped on 22/11/2015 along Rumuokoro/Rumuigbo roads in Port Harcourt.

"Three unidentified suspected kidnappers found guarding the rescued victims got fatally wounded in the course of rescuing the victims. Two locally made pistols, one axe and charms were recovered from the kidnappers' den.

"The commissioner of police enjoins the good people of Rivers State to continue to have trust in the ability of the police to tackle any security challenge, please."

## SEXUAL VIOLENCE: '400 Women, Girls