Police Kill Secessionist Suspect In Anambra, Recover AK-47

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A team of anti-crime squad of the Anambra State police command has gunned down a suspected secessionist operating in Aguata local government area of the state.

Public relations officer of the state police command, superintendent of police, SP Tochukwu Ikenga, said dangerous arms and ammunition, including an AK-47 Rifle, were recovered from the suspect.

He said operatives of the police command engaged a gang of men operating in a black Prado Jeep along Igbo-Ukwu/

Ezinifite/Uga road, and, during the firepower exchange that ensued between the police team and the hoodlums, one of them was killed, while some of the gang members escaped.

The state police command spokesperson who disclosed the incident to newsmen in Awka, Anambra state capital, in a statement yesterday, said the incident happened on Sunday at midday.

He said: "On 29/9/2024, by 11:30 pm, the Police-led Security Force, while on patrol within Aguata LGA, got information of suspected armed men sighted in a black-coloured Prado Jeep along Igbo Ukwu/ Ezinifite Uga axis.

"The operatives on an offensive approach to the scene engaged the armed men in a gun battle and demobilised one of the miscreants while others escaped.

"Also, the Security Forces recovered two AK 47 rifles, one pump action gun, two magazines loaded with live ammunition, 15 live cartridges, One black Prado Jeep with two different plate numbers."

He added that two police body armoured vests, three fez caps, one black handbag and different types of charms were also recovered during the operation.