

Police Kill 3 Kidnap Suspects, Smash Baby Theft Syndicate In Akwa Ibom

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Operatives of the Akwa Ibom State Police Command have killed three members of an armed gang specialising in kidnapping people for ransom.

The commissioner of police, Akwa Ibom Command, CP Joseph Eribo, who disclosed this Monday at the command headquarters, Ikot Akpanabia, near Uyo, the state capital, disclosed that the suspects met their Waterloo following their second return to kidnap a reverend father, who had earlier been kidnapped and huge ransom paid.

They were paraded along with several suspects for sundry crimes, including baby theft, armed robbery, and illegal possession of arms, amongst others.

He said: "We have neutralised three daredevil criminals notorious for kidnapping and other criminal acts. We have it on record that they once kidnapped a prominent Reverend Father, took him somewhere in this state and ransom was collected.

"This time, they were coming for a second mission to pick up the father again because one informant told them the target had a lot of money to give out. We acted on a credible intelligence and neutralised three of them.