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Ugochukwu Eke, Umuahia

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THERE was jubilation in Aba Sunday over the killing of notorious kidnap kingpin in Abia State, Obioma Nwankwo, popularly known as Osisikankwu.

Deputy Army

Public Relations Officer Col. Sagir Musa confirmed Nwankwo's death Sunday.

He said the suspect was shot dead at Obokwe market by a joint

police and military patrol team.

The team had laid ambush for the suspect for days after they learnt of his presence in the bush near the market.

His killing brought to an end the myth around him in Aba that he cannot be caught or killed.

Col. Musa said last night that the body of the suspect had been taken to Umuahia to be shown to government officials before being publicly paraded.

Osisikankwu, who was arrested a few moths ago, was inexplicably released. Since then, he has been tormenting the people, officials alleged.

Police authorities said his remains would be paraded last night before being taken to the mortuary.

Lt.-Col. Musa described Osisikankwu's killing as a landmark achievement of the military operations in the state.

He promised that the command would not relent in its bid to rid Abia of kidnappers and other criminals.

Special Adviser to Governor Theodore Orji on Electronic Media Ugo Emezue said Osisikankwu's killing was the triumph of light over darkness.

Emezue, in a statement, stated that the government and people of Abia were grateful to God for the development.

He added that the efforts of President Goodluck Jonathan and Governor Orji in ensuring lasting peace in the state deserve commendation.

"In spite of the death of Osisikankwu, Abia government will not relent in its bid to rid Abia of kidnappers," Emezue stressed.

He assured Abians coming home for Christmas of their safety

"The governor commended the military officers for a job well done and charged them to track down all the boys who had unleashed mayhem in the state," he stated.

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loki on 13/12/2010 05:22:42



why kill him? this is another boko haram, now i really believe that the Governor knows something and just wants to cover up his track by killing the man, what could have given the kidnapper the effrontery to remain in Aba knowing fully well that he is being hunted by soldiers? the governor gave him protection in the past and he believed he still had the protection, that was why he remained in Aba.Abia is a den of kidnappers because the Governor started a chain he couldn't stop, period.

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FarEast on 13/12/2010 05:48:14



In as much as we don't condone crime, justice should still be done in all cases. A case where the alleged has been arrested and later released, then on what proof was he shot dead without any judgement.

we need to be civilized in our dealings with fellow humans. An innocent person could have have as well been killed.





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Ken Obinna on 13/12/2010 07:01:30



This is a wonderful news this morning. I am glad that light has again come to shine in E/West.





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Ken Obinna on 13/12/2010 07:01:40



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Mazi on 13/12/2010 08:52:42



Where is justice in Nigeria? Why was he not captured and tried rather than execute him in cold blood, or are his killers af<u>raid</u> of him mentioning his sponsors among those in power?.

Every suspect is Innocent until proven guilty by a competent court except in Nigeria where there is no court and no rule of law.

This is pure execution and Jonathan should be hold responsible for this and the other massacres going on in the Niger Delta when the right time comes





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Amalaha Daniel C. on 13/12/2010 08:55:25



The evil that men does lives with them now not after them thank God 4 that I pray more of this type of stories to come





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sunny baba on 13/12/2010 08:56:33



another landmark by the JTF this is commendable for them

to trail him for days in the bush...





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Emmanuel on 13/12/2010 08:59:49



Is good to see and hear that Osisikankwu as they call him is dead. Guys please go for his boys, they are even more dangerous than osisikankw himself. Stop at nothing to eliminate his gang.





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MAJESTY on 13/12/2010 09:05:28



what has happened to the other hoodlums who have been set free by the now failed amnesty of the government. the man should have been caught alive to expose the power behind him in ABIA. People like the governor. how come they have suddenly known the forest that he was hiding.





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akomolafe felix on 13/12/2010 09:12:36



At this age of civilization, JTF can just kill anyone suspected

to be kidnapper without arresting and charging the suspect to court. It is not done anywhere after killing a suspect you stll want to parade the dead body publicly, what sort of country is our country. No regards to life and dead body. what a pity.





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onuche andrew on 13/12/2010 09:33:00



good morning sir





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LOKI,I wouldn't know from what part of NAIJA U hail from but I wish to correct U dat ABA is not a den of kidnappers.U are making it sound like it has been so since the city came into existence...CHIBUIKE





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Austine AN on 13/12/2010 09:53:01



He would have been captured alive and allowed to face