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The Akwa Ibom State Police Command yesterday paraded a 19-year-old mother, Nsidibe Effiong, who allegedly strangled her three-week-old baby girl to death. According to the command, Effiong was said to have strangled her daughter to death with the use of a towel and dumped her into a latrine at Ikot Abasi Idem village in Ibesikpo Asutan Local Government Area of the state.

The State Commissioner of Police, Solomon Arase, said the arrest of Effiong was made possible through the active working relationship between police and community recently introduced by the command.

Arase was represented at the briefing by an Assistant Commissioner of Police in charge of the State CID, Don Awunah.

Effiong, who looked perplexed before newsmen, blamed the situation of the the devil.

She told reporters that she was forced to commit the datardly act because of pressure from the mother after the man who impregnated her ran away.

Narrating her ordeal, Effiong explained that after her second child, her mother, who has been taking care of her first child, threatened to throw her out of the house, saying since there was no where to go to, she decided to eliminate the source of acrimony.

Her words: "I am leaving at Ikot Abasi. The man that impregnated me ran away. People normally come to the house to have sex with me at home. I charge any amount for them to do so."

Also, arrested by the police are three member gang that normally disguised as Marine Engineers and Contractors of Exxon Mobil, QIT terminal and using such in defrauding unsuspecting members of the public.

The police boss named those arrested as David John, Ekpo Udo alias Engr.

Kinsley, David Iwara and Godson Okedu.

His words: "In one of their numerous phoney deals, the sum of N3,550,000.00 was obtained from one Felicia Onyeachulem under the guise of delivering ten truck load of premium motor spirit (PMS) to her. The sum of N1,000,000 part of the proceeds has been traced to one of the suspect's Bank Account."

Speaking with newsmen, the suspects denied police's allegation. They said they were framed up.

The suspects explained that it was a case of dealing in oil bunkering but the police turned it to that of 419.