

## NEWS

## Adoke's cousin, 45 others arrested for alleged kidnap

A SPECIAL team despatched by the Inspector-General of Police to curb kidnap and other crimes in Kogi State yesterday arrested Ahmed, a cousin of former Minister of Justice and Attorney-General of the Federation Mohammed Aduke.

The 72-year-old man was nabbed for his alleged role in kidnapping.

But he protested that he was a victim of petition.

Ahmed said the police, before his arrest, searched his home but found nothing incriminating, adding that they later alleged that some of the displayed items were recovered from his place.

Police spokesman Emmanuel Ojukwu, addressing reporters at the Kogi State Command Headquarters in Lokoja, said the

From James Azania,  
Lokoja

300 Police Mobile Force drawn from across the nation and complemented by the Kogi Command, have recorded good results since their arrival on May 27.

He said 45 suspects have been arrested by the police in the last three weeks, adding that arms and ammunition, including an AK47 rifle with number BA 360834 snatched from Corporal Apogu Dzakwa have been recovered.

"We are still on course. We are not yet finished, as

the kidnapped judge of the High Court is still in captivity."

Ojukwu urged the residents to give the police information, which would help them in arresting criminals.

He said: "The N5million bounty promised by Governor Idris Wada for any information that will assist the task force in its assignment is still up for grabs."

"I am pleased to inform you that barely three weeks into the operation, which has been prosecuted with vigour, dedication, professionalism and pas-

sion; results have been recorded.

"On June 13 about 2am, operatives of the special squad acting on a tip-off arrested Isa Sunday Omouya, aka Cat or Sunday Moscow, aged 36, of Ihima in Okehi Local Government.

"A search of his premises and surrounding led to the recovery of one AK47 rifle with 13 rounds of ammunition, one barrel gun with two rounds of cartridges and three ATM cards.

"Further investigation showed that the recovered AK47 rifle with number BA 360834 was snatched from

Cpl Apogu Dzakwa, who was shot dead on May 18 about 11:30am on Ayere/Ajowa Road in Ijumu Local Government.

"The deceased was on escort duty with an expatriate, Karunadasa Dorawaka, an engineer, of Boroni Prono Construction Company Ltd, who was kidnapped by armed hoodlums."

The Head of the Special Anti-Crime Task Force, Police Commissioner Chike Ezieke, said investigation was on, adding that those found culpable would be arrested and prosecuted.

## Afonja descendants reject Saraki as Senate president

From Bode Durojaiye, Oyo

THE Afonja Descendants Union in Ilorin, the Kwara State capital, has rejected Senator Bukola Saraki's emer-

ples Democratic Party (PDP) senators to scuttle the Buhari administration.

disposal to secure substantial shares of the gains of the war.

"It is time to share party executive and legislative offices among the victori-

some senators, out of greed, self-centredness and desperation for power, conspired with frustrated PDP senators to organise a kangaroo election.