

# Suspected militants allegedly behead soldier

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## •*Three others killed*

Suspected militants have allegedly beheaded a soldier attached to the Joint Task Force (JTF).

They killed three civilians.

The incident occurred in Etim Ekpo Local Government of Akwa Ibom State.

*The Nation* learnt that the incident occurred on Sunday in a shootout.

It was gathered that security operatives launched a raid on militants' hideout at Obon Ebot village in Etim Ekpo Council.

JTF stormed the community to arrest a wanted militant' leader, popularly called 'Aboy Ikpor', and his gang.

He was alleged to have masterminded the Ikot Ekpene Prison jailbreak last month in which 40 inmates escaped.

"The suspected militants ambushed the soldier and killed him. They chopped off his head and dumped his body at Urua Obo Inyang market, Akpan Udotim, a resident of Ikot Unna village, said.