Suspected ritualist held with human head in Kwara

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Police in Kwara on Monday said they arrested a suspected ritualist with the head and hands of a boy.

Spokesman of the command Ajayi Okasanmi said, "At about 06.30am, along Ajase Ipo/Ilorin Road, a team of operation Harmony [personnel] on stop and search duty, stopped one commercial bus and in the process of searching a bag, one boy took to his heels while his partner was held.

"The bag was searched and a freshly severed head and hands of a boy was discovered.

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"In the course of interrogation, he confessed to have killed the victim named Mohammed in Ajase Ipo, with his fleeing partner, for ritual purposes.

"On the strength of the discovery, the Commissioner of Police Mohammed Lawal Bagega directed the homicide section of the state criminal investigation department (SCID) to thoroughly investigate the case and arrest anybody connected to the this heinous crime.

"The suspect by name Kehinde John Moses took a team of investigators to where the boy's body was dumped for purposes of recovery and subsequent transfer to the hospital for autopsy.

"Investigation