Police kill kidnap suspect on Benin-Lagos Expressway

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Operatives of Edo State Police Command yesterday evening killed a suspected kidnapper in a gun duel at Utekon on Benin-Lagos Expressway.

Police spokesman Chidi Nwabuzor, a Superintendent of Police, said that other members of the gang escaped.

He said: "On 20/06/2022 at about 0400hrs, the operatives of Egba Police Divisional Headquarters, Benin City, acted on a distress call that a gang of kidnappers/armed robbers blocked Benin-Lagos Expressway by Utekon Community, Benin City.

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"Immediately, police operatives swung into action and moved to the scene. On sighting the police, the hoodlums engaged the police in a gun duel. In the process, the police operatives neutralised one of the kidnappers, while the rest gang members escaped with their guns."

Nwabuzor also said personnel from the Command had started combing the bushes to apprehend the fleeing gang members.