

# One killed, four rescued as security operatives battle kidnappers in Anambra



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Security operatives and suspected kidnappers are on warpath in Onitsha, [Anambra State](#), as the hoodlums have again invaded the commercial city.

During the shootout, which occurred on Wednesday, four kidnapped victims were rescued, while one of the suspects was killed by the security men.

The security operatives are members of the Anambra State Vigilance Group (AVG) from the Onitsha metropolis.

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Three of the vehicles of the kidnapped victims were recovered by the AVG, including AK-47 rifle and a pistol.

The incident, The Nation gathered, took place in locations in the commercial city between 8:30pm and 9pm.

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In a viral video sited by The Nation yesterday, the victims mentioned their names and their communities.

It was further gathered from the victims that throughout the incident, police operatives were not seen on the roads.

Although police spokesman Tochukwu Ikenga could not be reached, one of the senior police officers, who pleaded anonymity, confirmed the incident.