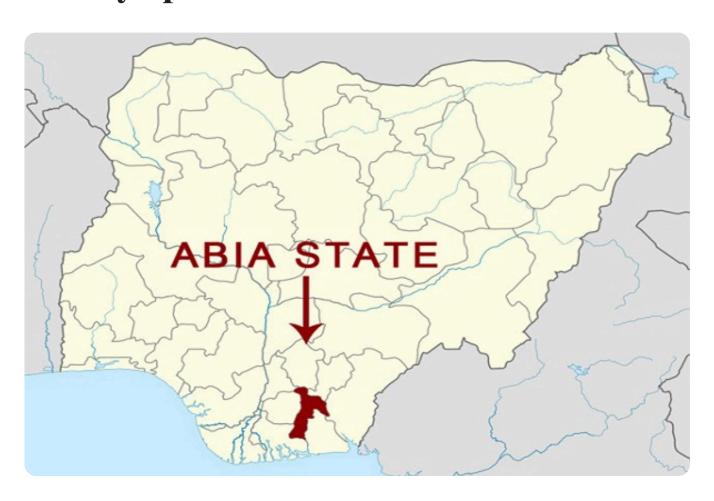
Security operative killed in Abia



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The deceased's is said to be the only son of his family while his wife was delivered of a baby few days ago.

Asecurity operative with the Abia State Vigilante Service (AVS) was killed in a failed attempt to kidnap a businessman simply identified as Solomon, it has been learnt.

Solomon is a scrap dealer with his shop on Onyeocha Street, off Port Harcourt road, Aba South Local Government Area.

A source in the area said: "We were all doing our normal businesses when we noticed a black SUV pulled up in front of their target's office.

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"The security operative there told them to park well, and in the process they shot the security man and moved for their target. But the man had disappeared before they got into the shop.

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"It angered them and that led to sporadic shooting, sending people to scamper for safety after which they left. By the time help came, the security man had died.

"The gunmen came in through Lagos Street and left the same way. Someone used his car to block the street, but didn't block it well and so they forced their way through. We wonder how policemen who were on a stop and search operation within the area disappeared upon hearing the gunshots."

A source at the Aba area Police Command confirmed the incident, but said the matter was yet to be officially reported.