

OPERATIVES of the Department of State Service (DSS) have reportedly killed one of the kidnappers of the mother of the famous Hausa singer, Dauda Rarara.

After a sustained gun duel with the heavily armed kidnappers, one was shot dead while another was apprehended.

The names of the kidnappers were given as Hamisu and Bature. The former was killed while Bature, who was arrested, is being treated of the gunshot wounds he sustained.

Our source at the agency said in Kano that the operatives at the weekend stormed the Makarfi deep forest in Kaduna State and engaged the bandits in their enclave when they were busy sharing the ransom cash paid for the release of Rarara's mother.

DSS kills kidnapper of Hausa singer Rarara's mother

• Recover N26.5m cash ransom

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"The operatives were able to overpower the kidnappers, killing one instantly and arresting another who is receiving treatment from the gunshots he received from DSS operatives.

"The sum of N26.5 million earlier paid to them as ransom was recovered," the source who pleaded anonymity disclosed.

He said the operation was carried out after a careful intelligence networking.

"They had traced the kidnappers

to Makarfi deep forest, raiding the place while they were sharing the ransom cash paid to them," he said.

Our source added: "The operation was successful and the other kidnapper who is receiving treatment is helping the operatives with credible and useful information on how they had been kidnapping innocent Nigerians.

"I can confidently tell you that Bature, the one receiving treatment, is helping the operatives with information on their activities."