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5 graves found as police discover ritualists' shrine in Ikorodu

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THE police in Lagos State on Monday discovered a shrine suspected to be a hideout for criminals in Agbowo area of Ikorodu, while the owner of the shrine has been placed under investigations.

The discovery was reportedly made by a team

of policemen, led by the Deputy Commissioner of Police in charge of Operations at the state police command, Imohimi Edgal.

Though details of the findings at the shrine were yet to be made available to the public, it was gathered that the police identified five suspected graves on the vast expanse of land.

While four of the graves

were said to be old, a police source told *Nigerian Tribune* that there were signs that the fifth one was recently covered.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the police in the state were on a show of force against the resurgence of the *Badoo* cult group members in Ikorodu, when they got a hint of the shrine.

Preliminary investigations by the police revealed that

the shrine had more than five rooms with heavy barricade at the entrance.

The police image-maker in the state, Olarinde Fa-

mous-Cole, confirmed the discovery, but quickly said that investigations were ongoing on it.

The police image maker

also warned residents of the state to avoid living in isolated areas, where they might be vulnerable to attack.

Suspected kidnappers nabbed in hotel room after collecting ransom in Abia

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TWO suspected kidnappers have been arrested

by the Abia State Police Command in a hotel room in Aba after collecting ransom before releasing their hostage.

Speaking during the parade of arrested criminals at the state police headquar-

about the kidnapping incident, it swung into action.

"On July 27, after the suspects had collected the ransom, police operatives trailed them to a hotel in Aba, where they lodged, and were subsequently arrested.

