Two suspected robbers arrested for allegedly beheading motorcyclist in Niger

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THE police in Niger State have arrested two suspected armed robbers in connection with the murder of a 21-year-old commercial motorcycle rider at Kagbodu village in Lapai Local Government Area of the state.

The victim, Emmanuel Sunday, until his murder, on Thursday, October 18, operated his business around Lapai Local Government Area

Nigerian Tribune gathered that on the day of the incident, the victim was allegedly ambushed by Dauda Yakubu and Mohammed Yunusa around a bushy area at Kagbodu Village, while on his motorcycle.

The suspects were alleged to have attacked Sunday, slitting his throat with a sharp object, before severing his head and dumping his body in the bush, after which they made away with his motorcycle.

The suspects later sold the motorcycle for N120, 000 to one Buhari Abdullahi.

Elder brother to the deceased, Amos Samuel, however, reported the matter to the police on October 21, at Lapai Division.

A police source at the homicide section of the State Criminals Investigation and Intelligence Department (SCIID), Minna, told the *Nigerian Tribune*

that the complainant reported that his younger brother was attacked and killed while his motorcycle was stolen.

The source said upon the receipt of the report, the police swung into action, arresting the first suspect, Yakubu, and the buyer of the motorcycle, Abdullahi.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Muhammed Abubakar, confirmed the incident in a chat with the **Ni**-

gerian Tribune.

Abubakar stated that the receiver of the motorcycle, Abdullahi allegedly confessed to police investigators that he bought the motorcycle for N120, 000.

"Abdullahi said he made a part payment of N50,000 to the suspects, with an agreement to pay the balance of N70,000 on October 22, on the production of the motorcycle's receipt, before their arrest," said the PPRO.