

Police exhume body of kidnapped woman in Delta

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DELTA State police command at the weekend exhumed the body of a 54-year-old woman buried in a shallow grave on a farmland in Agbor area of the state by kidnappers.

The woman, identified as Mrs Philomina Ogadi, from Otolokpo in Ika North-East Local Government Area of the state, was abducted last week by a nine-man gang, but was killed and buried in the bush on the Benin/Agbor Onitsha Expressway in Agbor, Ika South Local Government Area of the state after allegedly collecting over N1million ransom from her children.

One of the suspects was said to be living in the same apartment with the victim

before she was abducted.

The state's Deputy Commissioner of Police, Operations, Faleye Olayele and other police officers led the suspects to the shallow grave. Briefing journalists at the state police headquarters in Asaba, the state capital, the Commissioner of Police, Mr Ari Mohammed Ali, said body of the deceased was exhumed with gunshot wounds on her head and a blindfold on her face.

According to him, "Having killed the woman and buried her in a shallow grave, they did not stop there; they went on calling the children and collecting ransom.

"So far, they have collected N650,000 from her children after killing the woman."