## Again, police rescue abducted victim, kill suspected kidnapper in Benue

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OPERATIVES of Operation Zenda of the Benue State police command on Wednesday rescued a kidnap victim, Mr Peter Ogbonna, in Ugba town, headquarters of Logo Local Government Area of the state.

According to a statement issued by the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, Catherine Anene,

one of the suspected kidnappers was, however, killed during a gun duel with policemen.

The victim, who is a businessman, was abducted last. Thursday and his rescue came just three days after the same police operatives rescued a commissioner's wife and her driver from their abductors.

Anene said: "Today [August 4], information was received that gunmen who

kidnapped one Mr Peter Ogbonna of Ugba town were at their hideout in Tse Atoov, Alabaar in Logo Local Government Area and operatives immediately swung into action and invaded the hideout.

"On sighting the police, the suspects engaged them in a gun duel, but the police were able to subdue them and three of the suspects were arrested at the scene.

"One of the suspects who sustained gunshot injuries was rushed to hospital where he was confirmed dead and his corpse was deposited at the morgue.

"The remaining two suspects are currently undergoing interrogation."

The police spokesperson said the kidnap victim, who was rescued unhurt, has been reunited with his family.