

# Police kill IPOB sector commander, two others in Imo

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THE police in Imo State have killed the Orlu sector commander of the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB)/ Eastern Security Network (ESN), identified as Chidera Nnabuhe, a.k.a. 'Dragon.'

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The police also shot dead two other members of his command, simply identified as JJ and Dadawa, both natives of Ohazora in Ebonyi State.

The Commissioner of Police in the state, Hussiani Rabi, disclosed this to newsmen in Owerri, on Sunday, through the command's Public Relations Officer, CSP Michael Aba-

tham.

The police boss said the IPOB members were killed during a gun duel when the police raided major IPOB/ESN camps at Amaifeke Orlu in Orlu Local Government Area of the state.

Rabi said that the exercise was in line with the ongoing clearance operations embarked upon by the state police command on raiding major IPOB/ESN camps in the state and its environs, aimed at wiping out remnants of the groups and restoring peace in the state.

Rabi said after diligent gathering of technical intelligence, the IPOB/ESN members were sighted in

an isolated, uncompleted building situated in a valley in Amaifeke, while planning to resume terror attacks on police formations and government installations.

He said the command's tactical teams immediately mobilised and stormed the hideout.

He added that on sighting the police operatives, the IPOB members opened fire, while the tactical teams responded, leading to the death of the three.

The operation led to the arrest of 20-year-old Emeka and 44-year-old Anthony (surnames withheld), while others escaped into the bush with bullet wounds.