

# Armed Robbery Suspect Killed As Police Rescue Kidnapped Victim, Foil Cult Initiation, Recover Weapons In Delta

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It was a harvest of successes last Thursday and Friday as operatives of the Delta State Police Command rescued a kidnap victim, felled a robbery suspect, foiled cult initiation, arrested 13 suspects and recovered assorted arms and ammunition.

Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Bright Edefe, made the disclosure in a statement made available to journalists on Monday.

According to him, on February 25, 2022 at 2:00p.m, operatives of 'B' Division Warri Patrol-team, while acting on a tip-off, engaged a gang of robbers led by one wanted Getay in Warri in a gun duel.

Getay, Edefe said, subsequently sustained lethal injuries and died in a hospital while a cut-to-size double barrel gun, one live cartridge and two expended cartridges were recovered from the scene.

Edefe further disclosed that on February 24, at about 10:30p.m, operatives of Dragon 18 patrol team, while on routine stop-and-search duty along ECN/Otu-Jeremi Aladja road by Ewhrekekan junction, sighted a Mercedes Benz ML 350 and Lexus 350 parked by the road side.

On close observation of the two vehicles, a kidnapped victim (name withheld), aged 62, raised the alarm that he had been kidnapped.

The victim who was eventually rescued by the patrol team, explained that he was kidnapped at about 6:50p.m on that day at the entrance of his gate in Afisere road, Ughelli.

The operatives, Edafe added, recovered one Mercedes Benz ML 350 black colour with Registration Number EKY 964 DP belonging to the victim, and an AK-47 magazine loaded with eight rounds of 7.62 mm bullets.

Operatives of Issele-Uku Division also foiled a cult initiation ceremony at Ukwu Nzu forest, while they arrested 13 suspects and recovered a locally-made double barrel shot gun, 25 live cartridges, a Toyota Corolla with Registration Number GRA 68 SG and a Lexus 350 SUV with Registration Number BDG 689 GQ.

“To this end, the Commissioner of Police, Ari Muhammed Ali has ordered all Area Commanders, Divisional Police Officers, Tactical Commanders and the Command’s Anti-cult Unit to identify cultists’ hideouts, carry out continuous raids, arrest and ensure that anyone found wanting be made to face the full wrath of the law,” DSP Edafe said.