Police parade father, three children over alleged kidnapping, killing

THE Nigeria Police Force, Oyo State command, on Wednesday paraded a rat killer seller and his three children over alleged kidnapping and killing of an eight-year-old boy, Abdulraheem Bamimore.

According to the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN), the Oyo State Commissioner of Police, Ngozi Onadeko, said that the suspects committed the offences on March 4 in Saki area of the state.

Onadeko said, "The dragnet of the command caught up with the suspects on Monday for allegedly abducting and murdering Abdulraheem, an eight-yearold minor."

The police boss quoted the father of the minor as saying that two of the suspects lured his son to an undisclosed location, after which all efforts made to locate him proved abortive.

"On March 7, a search party was organised and

during the process, the lifeless body of the victim named Abdulraheem Bamimore (male), aged eight years, was found inside an uncompleted building at Alubarika area, Saki.

"Upon interrogation, two of the suspects (names withheld), confessed to have conspired to kidnap the victim for ransom, but eventually killed him because he (victim) recognised and could identify them."

One of the principal suspects (names withheld), told newsmen that greed and love of money led him and his brothers to committing the crimes.

The suspect, while being paraded alongside his two brothers and father by the police, confessed that they kidnapped the victim in order to collect ransom from his parent, saying they took the victim to an uncompleted building, tied his hands and legs and eventually poisoned him.