

# Mechanic engages kidnappers, kills one, murdered

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THERE was pandemonium in Jos North Local Government Area of Plateau State on Wednesday as an attempt to kidnap a mechanic resulted in his death.

It was gathered that the kidnappers, numbering about six, had invaded NEPA community in the council area in the early hours of Wednesday and proceeded to the house of the mechanic, Umar Abdullahi.

A source said two of the kidnappers forced themselves into Abdullahi's house, while the others positioned themselves around the building.

The source said the mechanic, who had noticed the arrival of the hoodlums, engaged the two who entered his house, killing one, while the other rushed back

outside to inform their gang members.

It was gathered that the other kidnappers entered the house and shot at Abdullahi at close range and made sure he had died before leaving the scene.

A resident of the area, Idris Ibrahim, said the kidnappers, who had been terrorising the community, came purposely for the mechanic, adding that members of his family were not attacked while the encounter lasted.

He said the body of the slain kidnapper was taken to the Katako Police Divisional Headquarters, while Abdullahi's had been buried.

Spokesperson for the state police command, DSP Alabo Alfred, could not be reached for confirmation as calls made to his mobile phone were not answered.