

Police confirm murder of Enugu councillor, arrest one suspect

ENUGU State police command has confirmed the murder of the councillor representing Eha-Ulo ward, in Nsukka Local Government Area (LGA), legislative council, Mr Nelson Sylvester, on Sunday, the **News Agency of Nigeria (NAN)** has reported.

In a statement issued in Enugu on Monday, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Mr Daniel Ndukwe, said the police also arrested a male suspect, who is a member of the criminal gang alleged to have attacked and killed Sylvester.

Ndukwe said: "Police have arrested one male suspect

and a member of the criminal gang alleged to have attacked and murdered one Nelson Sylvester, the councillor representing Eha-Ulo ward of Ehalumona.

"The incident occurred at about 11:30p.m. on Sunday at Umualoji village in Ehalumona community of Nsukka Local Government Area.

"The commissioner of police in Enugu State has ordered intense investigations and manhunt of the assailants.

"Further development shall be communicated in due course to the public."

Meanwhile, an eyewitness

who did not disclose his name told **NAN** that about eight gunmen stormed Sylvester's residence at about 11:00p.m on Sunday.

He said when the gunmen entered Sylvester's residence, they shot sporadically to scare people away before shooting him dead as he tried to escape.

The source said: "I was in my house on Sunday night when I started hearing sporadic gunshots inside the late councillor's compound.

"I suspected that it was in the process that they shot him dead and left immediately on their motorcycles."

Police intercept N13m worth Indian hemp in Lagos