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Police kill two kidnappers, rescue victims in Kogi

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KOGI State police command, in conjunction with local vigilantes, have killed two suspected kidnappers and rescued a victim in the state, just as one AK-49 rifle with 14 rounds of live ammunition

was recovered from the suspects.

This was contained in a statement issued on Tuesday by the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), William Ovyé Aya.

Aya said operatives of the command attached to If-

e-Olukotun, following an intelligence-led operation in collaboration with vigilantes, rescued a kidnapped victim, neutralised two kidnappers and recovered one AK-49 rifle with 14 rounds of live ammunition.

"This followed a report that

some hoodlums had invaded the camp of one Yahaya of Igbo-Ero in Ife-Olukotun and kidnapped him.

"It was further gathered that the hoodlums kidnapped another victim, who they later released after robbing him of one ram.

"The divisional police officer (DPO) promptly swung into action, mobilised operatives in collaboration with vigilantes and stormed the kidnappers' hideout.

"On sighting the joint team, the hoodlums opened fire, and during the gun duel that

ensued, two suspected kidnappers were neutralised, the victim was rescued and one AK-49 rifle with 14 rounds of live ammunition were recovered, while other suspects escaped with bullet wounds. "Efforts are ongoing to apprehend the fleeing suspects."