

Police parade suspected killers of inspector, 36 others in Lagos

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Thirty nine suspected criminals, including killers of a police inspector, Sunday Apochi, were on Friday paraded before newsmen by the Nigeria Police, Lagos State Command.

The spokesperson in charge of the state Police Command, Benjamin Hundeyin, who paraded the suspects at the Command's headquarters in Ikeja disclosed that the suspects were arrested after the police launched 'Operation Flush' last week.

The paraded suspects were reportedly arrested for various crimes including; armed robbery, cultism, murder, illegal possession of firearms, vandalism, stealing and counterfeiting of Nigerian and foreign currencies.

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Hundeyin told newsmen that "Before you today, we have a total of 39 suspects who have engaged in varying crimes including murder, armed robbery, stealing, cultism, vandalization etc."

"From all these cases which we successfully cracked, we recovered a total of six arms, 26 live ammunition, two expended ammunition, one battle axe, four vehicles, hard drugs, counterfeit currencies, wrist watches, phones, knife and aluminum rails."

On the case of the killers of the police inspector, Hundeyin said "This deals with a case of Conspiracy and Murder of INSP Sunday Apochi, 'm' attached to the Zone 2, HQ Onikan, Lagos, reported by one Insp Simeon Ishaiah of the CP Tactical

Team, attached to the Area 'H' Ogudu Lagos, against three (3) suspects namely: one Igboro Rasheed 'm' age 39 yrs, Rasak Adeleke 'm' 30 years and Moses Victor 'm' age 23 yrs all of Ijanikin, Lagos State."

"The fact of the case is that on 23/07/2023, at about 2030hrs, at the aforementioned address the suspects being members of the 'AIYE' Confraternity led by one Sulaimon Abass during a fight, shot the deceased with a locally made rifle and thereafter used a battle axe on him before he gave up the ghost. The case is still under investigation."

Continuing, the spokesperson added that "On 13th of March, 2023, One Emmanuel 'm', reported that sometime on 8th March, 2023, one Samson Olusegun 'm', a truck driver attached to the company was assigned to convey a 1/40ft container with Identity no. ACLU-9651677, loaded with 1,040 bags of blended solid milk "Powder Milk" worth about Sixty million naira (N60,000,000.00) from Apapa Tincan Wharf to FRIESLAND CAMPINA "WAMCO PLC" at 7B ACME Road, Ogba Industrial Estate Ikeja, Lagos.

"However, Samson Olusegun conspired with his cohorts and diverted the truck with the goods to Coker Bus Stop along Oshodi-Apapa Expressway, where Opeyemi Akinloye 'm', Jimoh Iyanu 'm' and others trans-loaded the goods to another truck, thereafter sold 491 bags of Powder Milk worth Thirty-six million, seven hundred thousand naira (N36,700,000.00) to one Hazimi Abdulakeem 'f' age 47yrs who resides at Iwagba area, Ogbomosho town, Oyo State."

Hundeyin stated further, "Meanwhile, four suspects namely Samson Olusegun 'm', Jimoh Iyanu 'm', Opeyemi Akinloye 'm' and Hazimi Abdulakeem 'f' have been arrested by operatives of Command. "

"The sum of Six million, five hundred and fifty thousand naira (N6,550,000.00) was recovered from the suspects so far. The case still under investigation."

According to him, "On 20th July, 2023 at about 1340hrs, a complaint was received that a company's dispatch rider absconded with a parcel containing \$45,000, money meant for Office use.

"Investigation led to the arrest of the suspect, One Philip Samson 'm' aged 40 years who had been in the employ of the company for thirteen years and recovery of the stolen money, at Anpka Area of Kogi State where he ran to. The suspect has been charged to court," SP Hundeyin also said.

The police spokesperson also stated that "Operatives of Area K Command arrested One Dare Jimoh 'm' aged 28 with four live cartridges and was transferred to State Headquarters for discreet investigation."

"Further investigation led to the arrest of one Lasisi Taofeek 'm' aged 42 aka Agbara and Kareem Lukman 'm' aged 37 aka Irawo at Badagry area with one locally made single barrel pistol and one expended cartridge."

The Lagos police spokesperson also said that "Investigation also revealed that the suspects are members of the dreaded Eiye confraternity terrorizing Badagry and its environs. Efforts are on top gear to conclude investigation and prosecute the suspects.

"CP Owohunwa, assured residents of Lagos that the command would continue to do everything operationally possible to ensure that crime and criminality is brought to the barest minimum in the State."