Native doctor arrested with fresh human corpse in Ogun

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OPERATIVES of the Ogun State Security Network, codenamed Amotekun, have arrested a man identified as Babatunde (surname withheld), for being in possession of a fresh male human corpse in Ado-Odo/Ota area of the state.

The suspect, according to a statement by the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Omolola Odutola, was arrested and handed over to the police for further investigation.

The PPRO said the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) of Ota police station, Saleh Dahiru, had taken the suspect into custody, adding that he was reported to have confessed to the crime.

Odutola said the suspect

claimed to be a native doctor and that the deceased was being taken care of by him before his demise.

The statement reads: "Preliminary investigations have commenced; although the suspect did not deny the incident, he claimed to be a native doctor who was attempting to revive the deceased. "However, it remains unclear how the suspect obtained the fresh corpse during the late hours of the night.

"So far, no one has come forward to claim the body, and the suspect has not revealed any information about the origin of the corpse. In order to gather more information and solve the case, the corpse has been transported to the Ifo General Hospital for an autopsy."