Police rescue 14 abducted victims, kill kidnapper in Abuja

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OPERATIVES of the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) police command have rescued 14 abducted victims and killed a suspected kidnapper in the process.

In a statement on Thursday, the FCT Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Josephine Adeh, quoted the FCT Police Commissioner, Haruna Garba, as saying: "Police operatives of the command attached to the Anti-Kidnapping Unit and the Rubochi Division Police Headquarters, in the continued fight against kidnapping in FCT, rescued 14 kidnapped victims on Wednesday at about 530a.m.

"The combined team, acting on credible intelligence, stormed a kidnappers' den located at Ukya village via Nasarawa State bordering the FCT and on sighting the police operatives, the hoodlums engaged them in a gunfight and the police operatives neutralised one of the kidnappers, while the other members of the gang scampered into nearby forest with various degree of bullet wounds.

"The hostages, who were rescued unhurt, have since been reunited with their loved ones."

Court sentences five vigilante members to death