

# Abducted PDP chieftain found dead in Warri

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**A**chieftain of the Peoples Democratic Party in Delta State, Chief Arido Muoboughare, who was kidnapped on Sunday night, has been found dead.

Muoboughare, a former Chairman of Ughelli North

Local Government Area and former aide to the immediate past governor of the state, Chief James Ibori, was abducted in his house on Mosheshe Street at about 9.00pm on Sunday.

His abductors immediately whisked him to an unknown location.

## Police kill one, arrest two suspects during shootout

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**A**FTER a shootout that lasted for about 20 minutes, the police in Lagos killed an armed robbery suspect and arrested two others on Saturday.

The incident, which caused panic and confusion among commuters and passers-by, happened at a spot on the Ikorodu Expressway at about 9am.

It was learnt that the policemen, attached to the State Criminal Investigation Department, Panti, Yaba, trailed the suspects to the spot following a tip-off.

Our correspondent learnt that the hoodlums suspected danger as soon as the policemen intercepted them. They quickly attempted to escape from the

them.

Other members of the gang reportedly escaped from the shooting scene while the arrested ones were taken to the SCID.

After the shootout, the police said they recovered one locally-made pistol, two live cartridges and two expended cartridges from the suspects.

Spokesman for the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Olubode Ojajuni, who confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Monday, said the suspects had obliged the police with "useful information."

He said although the suspects were still being investigated, efforts were on to track down the fleeing members of the gang.

His panic-stricken relations thereafter contacted the state government and security agencies over the state of the late prominent politician.

Consequently, a search party made up of all arms of security agencies and politicians, swung into action to ascertain his whereabouts on Sunday night.

However, all efforts to locate him were futile until about 5.00pm on Monday when information filtered in that a lifeless body had been discovered on Agiearubi Street in Warri.

His relations who raced to the scene, later found the remains of their breadwinner inflicted with injuries.

The development had ignited fresh fears and uncertainty in the political circles especially within the PDP in the state.

The Commissioner of Police, Delta State Command, Mr. Hezekiah Dimka, confirmed the incident to our correspondent on Monday.

He said the remains of the late politician had been deposited at an undisclosed mortuary in the state.