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# Gunmen kidnap German archaeologists, kill two

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Gunmen on Wednesday kidnapped a German archaeologist, Prof. Peter Breunij, and his associate, Johannes Buringer, at Jenjela village in the Kagarko Local Government Area of Kaduna State.

It was gathered that the professor was the leader of a four-man team from the University of Frankfurt, Germany, working in Nigeria in collaboration with the National Commission for Museums and Monuments and other institutions on the relics of Nok culture in Nigeria.

It was learnt that two ladies, who were members of the team, were left by the abductors.

An eyewitness, who did not want his name in print, said the incident happened shortly after they had resumed for work at the site in Jenjela village.

He said five gunmen appeared from the bush and ordered them to lie down.

He said, “They asked the professor and his associate to follow them and lead them into the bush.”

He said a hunter and one of the workers trailed the gunmen into the bush.

The eyewitness said, “When they realised that the two men were following them, they killed the hunter and the other man.

The state police spokesman, ASP Usman Aliyu, could not be reached as his mobile phone rang out.

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