Abductors kill, empty AuGF zonal officer's bank account

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The police in Abuja have busted a gang that abducted and killed the zonal officer in the office of the Auditor-General of the Federation, Mohammed Danjuma.

After killing him, the gang withdrew the money in Danjuma's bank account with his Automated Teller Machine card and bought a Mazda car with the money. The vehicle was recovered by the police.

Those in custody in connection with the crime are Chukwuebuka Obiekulia, aka Ebuka-Jesus, 25; Sadiq Abubakar, aka Alhaji or Doggy, 21; Daniel Owowo, 26; Friday Musa, aka Afra, 20; and John Shedrach, 24.

They were arrested by detectives from the Federal Capital Territory Police Command at their hideout in Tasha 1, Gwagwa, between May 20 and 27, 2020.

Danjuma's remains were recovered in the Gwagwa-Kagini area on March 16, 2020, after he was dispossessed of his valuables, including his ATM card, which was used to withdraw money from his account.

Preliminary findings revealed that the deceased boarded the syndicate's cab as a passenger from Berger en-route the Tipper Garage, Katampe, but was diverted by his assailants to an unknown location, where he was attacked with a wheel spanner and dispossessed of his valuables.

Confirming the incident on Wednesday, the FCT police spokesman, DSP Anjuguri Manzah, said the detectives recovered from the suspects a Mazda 626 car with number plate KWL 132 CN and another Mazda 323 car with number plate CF 123 KSF.