

Gunmen kill vigilante, DSS denies official's abduction in Abuja

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Gunmen suspected to be kidnappers have abducted a Department of State Services operative during an attack on residents in Abaji, Abaji Area Council of the Federal Capital Territory, Abuja, on Saturday.

The hoodlums also reportedly killed a vigilante member during the incident which occurred overnight.

The armed men were said to have invaded the community in their numbers and attacked a DSS outpost in the area.

During the exchange of gunshots with the DSS operatives, the gunmen successfully kidnapped a DSS operative.

Our correspondents could not immediately confirm if the gang had demanded a ransom for the abducted officer.

The FCT police spokesperson, Josephine Adeh, said she did not have information on the incident and referred inquiries to the Department of State Services.

However, when contacted, the DSS spokesperson, Peter Afunanya, denied the claim and said none of its personnel was abducted.

Afunanya in a terse Whatsapp statement said, "No DSS personnel was abducted in Abaji or anywhere in the FCT."

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