

Rivers police kill, nab suspected kidnappers in midnight raids

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The Rivers State Police Command, on Thursday, said its men raided the den of notorious kidnappers in Emuoha Local Government Area of the state.

It said one suspect was killed while another was arrested during the operation.

The state Commissioner of Police, Emeka Nwonyi, disclosed these at a press conference in Port Harcourt, the state capital.

Nwonyi described the suspect as a member of a gang that abducted and killed Justice Azundah said to be the Chief Protocol Officer of the former Chief of Staff, Rivers State Government House.

He said before killing Azundah, the suspect received N2m as ransom through a bank transaction from his family.

He added that following credible intelligence, men of the command raided the suspects' camp on July 20, 2023, injuring many of the criminals who managed to flee with bullet wounds.

He said, "Operatives of the C4i Intelligence Unit while acting on intelligent-led policing and a follow-up in a case of kidnapping/murder, arrested one suspect that ran away to Magboro community in Obafemi Owode Local Government Area of