

Police hunt killers of Anambra couple

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The Anambra State Police Command has begun a manhunt for the suspected killers of the couple who were found dead in a car boot along the Enugu-Onitsha Expressway on Wednesday.

The command’s Public Relations Officer, DSP Ikenga Tochukwu, said in a statement made available to our correspondent on Wednesday that the police had begun investigation into the incident.

PUNCH Metro learnt that earlier on Wednesday, two lifeless bodies of a man and a woman, with violent marks and gunshot wounds, were discovered in an abandoned vehicle along the expressway.

The two fresh blood-dripping corpses were seen by passers-by at a lonely place along the Tempo Junction, Umunya area of the Enugu-Onitsha Expressway in the early hours of the day. Along with the bodies, some expanded cartridges were also said to have been found at the scene.

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The police said they suspected the couple were abandoned at the scene after they had been murdered, noting that the corpses had been recovered and taken to the mortuary for an autopsy.

Tochukwu said, “The operatives have also recovered the car in which the bodies were found, a black Corolla, with registration plate number Lagos AAA 621 EU. The bodies, a poignant reminder of the crime, were then deposited in the morgue and investigations have begun.

“Police personnel attached to the Oyi Division led by the DPO at about 7:30 am today 24/1/2024, have recovered two lifeless bodies abandoned in a car boot along the Enugu – Onitsha Expressway.

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“The operatives also recovered the abandoned vehicle and some expended cartridges at the scene. Meanwhile, bodies have been deposited in the morgue and investigations have commenced.

“Preliminary information reveals that the persons a man and woman with marks of violence and gunshot injuries all over their bodies were murdered and abandoned in a black Corolla car with number plate Lagos AAA 621 EU.”

A video currently trending on the social media shows the dark-coloured Toyota Corolla being surrounded and inspected by passersby, with its doors wide open, except the two fresh corpses dumped inside the boot.

The blood dripping from beneath the vehicle boot showed the deceased might have been freshly murdered in a cold blood.

When contacted on the development, the PPRO confirmed the incident.

Last month, a man was reportedly shot on his leg during an attack that saw two policemen murdered in a suspected kidnapping attempt.

The attack took place in Uga, a community in Aguata Local Government Area of Anambra state on December 29, 2023.

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