Two arrested for beheading 10-year-old in Adamawa

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The Adamawa State Police Command has recorded another significant breakthrough in its fight against violent crimes, as operatives attached to the Divisional Police Headquarters, Jada, have arrested two suspects for the brutal murder of a 10-year-old boy in Jada Local Government Area.

In a statement issued on Sunday, the spokesman, CSP Suleiman Nguroje, stated that police operatives arrested one Ibrahim Abdul Malik, 27 years old, and Aliyu Abdul Malik, 18 years old, both residents of Anguwan Sarkin Yamma, Jada, in connection with the crime.

"The duo were alleged to have killed and beheaded a 10-year-old Almajiri, identified as Abdalla Lawali, of Anguwar Dubai, Jada.

"The victim was reported missing on March 7, 2025. Since then, a search has been ongoing to trace the missing child."

He added, "Upon receiving information on the suspects' involvement. The Commissioner of Police, CP Dankombo Morris, deployed security to the scene, where the decomposed body of the deceased was recovered in a sack bag.

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"The search warrant was further executed at the suspects' residence where the head was buried in a shallow grave within the house premises."

According to the statement, during an investigation, the suspects confessed to committing the crime, regretted the action and blamed the devil for their action.

The CP condemned the barbaric behaviour and directed the case to be transferred to the State Criminal Investigation Department for discreet investigation and diligent prosecution.

He assured the public that justice would be served and called on parents and guardians to be vigilant and report any suspicious movements around their neighbourhood to the police.