Gunmen kill police inspector, abduct two Chinese nationals

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Gunmen, on Thursday evening, reportedly shot and killed an Inspector of Police and also abducted two Chinese nationals in a bloody operation at Quarry Camp in Akamkpa Local Government Area of Cross River State.

SP Nelson Okpabi, the police spokesperson for Zone 6, confirmed the incident in a statement issued in Calabar and made available to reporters on Friday.

Mr Okpabi, a superintendent of police, said that a Nigerian was abducted alongside the two Chinese.

According to the statement, the gunmen, who wore military camouflage, stole an AK-47 rifle from the slain officer.

Mr Okpabi added that the gunmen gained entrance into the quarry "after a worker accidentally allowed a security breach at the gate".

He disclosed that the AIG in charge of the zone, Jonathan Towuru, has ordered a thorough search for the gunmen, vowing that they must be brought to book.

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"The Police hereby appealed to the people to be on the lookout and provide any useful information that will lead to the arrest of the perpetrators," the spokesperson stated.