

# Military overrun Niger Delta militants

• One killed, 3 arrested

AS the military outfit, Operation Pulo Shield (OPS) intensifies its efforts at rescuing the abducted expatriate in Bayelsa State, three suspects have been arrested while one was killed during operation.

According to a statement signed by the Coordinator, Joint Media Campaign Center for OPS, Colonel Isa Ado, troops from the outfit encountered the suspects in gun duel killing one and arrested three shortly after the incident.

"In a swift reaction to rescue the abducted expatriates and arrest the perpetrators who attacked troops on April 5, 2016 along Nembe Road, Bayelsa State, troops of Operation Pulo Shield during a manhunt on the criminals the same day, along Soku Gas plant encountered suspected militants, who opened fire on them which they quickly repelled, killing one suspect while many sustained injuries. Three suspects were arrested but they claimed to be victims of the pirates attack.

"Equipment recovered from the criminals during the encounter were two AK

47 Automatic Assault rifle and 10 Magazine loaded with 7.62mm special ammunition. Troops had dominated the creeks and land intensified its efforts to rescue the abducted expatriate and apprehend the kidnappers.

"It could be recalled that on April 5, 2016 suspected sea pirates attacked construction company workers along Ogbia Nembe road. Two soldiers, on security details attached to the company put up spirited efforts to stop the abduction of an expatriate working with the company, but lost their lives during the encounter while an expatriate was taken hostage.

"The Command wish to use this medium to call on good people of the region to come up with reliable information that will lead to the arrest of the fleeing suspects while assuring the region the determination of Operation Pulo Shield to flush out all illegal activities in the Niger Delta. The command enjoined the people to go on with their legitimate activities."

as the Joint Force is on top of the situation."



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