

8 paraded for beheading police officer for ritual

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PLATEAU State Police Commissioner, Austin Agbonlahor, has paraded eight suspects who allegedly abducted and beheaded a police sergeant, Yunana Ishaya, and removed his eyes for rituals. He said the suspects were arrested after intelligence, adding that they would be charged to court after investigation.

"On October 24, 2018, at about 1800hrs, based on credible information, one Abubakar Ani, aged 35 years, of Bakankarat village, Mani LGA, Katsina State, who killed, beheaded and plucked the eyes of late Sergeant Yunana Ishaya, attached to 56 PMF on special duty at Operation Safe Haven, Jos, for ritual activities on September 1 at about

2300hrs was arrested.

"Upon his arrest and interrogation, the suspect confessed to have conspired with one Abubakar Mohammed Sani of Rafin-Pa Quarters, Laranto, Jos, in killing and beheading the late Sergeant. His other accomplices, Abubakar Muhammed and Hussaini Musa, admitted promising to assist the two suspects with a charm that would enable their disappearance in the cause of nefarious activities if they meet up with the requirement (human eyes) for the charm. The suspects will soon be charged to court."

The police commissioner also declared eight persons wanted in connection with the abduction of Major General Idris Alkali (retd). In a statement through the spokesman of the command, DSP Tyopev

Mathias, Agbonlahor said the suspects were declared wanted after preliminary investigation linked them to the crime.

Agbonlahor said: "Preliminary investigation into the case of missing Major General I.M. Alkali (retd.) revealed that the following suspects masterminded the abduction, assault and caused the disappearance of the General."

Agbonlahor gave their names as Da Chuwang Samuel (aka Morinho), Nyam Samuel (aka Soft Touch), Matthew Wrangling (aka Amesco), Pam Gyang Dung (aka Boss), Chuwang Istifanus Pwajok Stephen (aka Tifa), Timothy Chuan, Moses Gyang (aka Boss) and 52-year-old district head of Dura, Yakubu Rap. The police said all the suspects speak Berom, Hausa and English.