

Notorious kidnap kingpin killed by Police

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A suspected notorious kidnap kingpin, Sunday, known in the underworld as Dreaded Dagboru, has been killed during a gun duel with the Lagos State Police Command.

Two of his alleged gang members described by the police as deadly were arrested after the gun battle.

Police said Ebi, Ajele and their leader who had been terrorising other south west states for over a period of time had come to Lagos with the intention of abducting some prominent persons for ransom, but met their Waterloo.

Commissioner of Police Lagos State Police Command, Imohini Edgal, who paraded the suspects yesterday at the Command Headquarters, Ikeja, said that the suspects were arrested based on credible intelligence received from members of the public about the movement of the gang at Ojo area of the state.

He said when he got information that the notorious gang had entered Lagos, he directed a team of detectives to go after the gang.

According to him, investigation by the team revealed that the gang of kidnappers had sneaked into the state and were planning to kidnap some notable persons in Iba area of Ojo Local Government Area of the State.

"Consequently, the Squad led by the Commander anti-kidnapping Squad swung into action, tapping into the intelligence resources of the Command. They were able to locate them in their hideouts at Imota, Ikorodu on December 10.

"However, when the hoodlums sighted the approaching operatives, they opened fire on them and the Police replied them. During the exchange of fire, Sunday a.k.a Dreaded Dagboru was gunned down while two others, Ebi and Ajele of Arogbo, Ose-Odo, Ondo State were apprehended.

He said one locally made double barrel pistol, one expended cartridge and three live cartridges were recovered from the gang while concerted effort was being made to arrest other gang members on the run.