

travelling developed mechanical fault. According to her: "We boarded our

motors flagging us to stop; that there was a robbery operation ahead.

## 2 suspected kidnappers killed as police rescue victim

From **Paul Osuyi**, Asaba

**TWO** suspected kidnappers have died ostensibly as a result of gunshot injuries sustained during a fierce exchange

of gun firing with security operatives on a rescue mission of a kidnapped victim, Mrs. Akpezi Okpidi.

The suspects died after their arrest according to a security source. The source added that a third suspect was on the run after escaping with the victim in the heat of exchange of fire.

"But he later abandoned her when he noticed that the police were closing in on him. The GLK Benz car used for the operation stolen by the suspects, has also been recovered by the police team," the source further stated.

However, Public Relations Officer of the Delta State Police Command, DSP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, who confirmed the incident, said one suspect died and that the kidnapped victim has since re-united with her distraught family.

Gunmen had on Saturday morning stormed the busy Otovwodo Junction, in Ughelli town of the State, and abducted Mrs. Okpidi, a trader.

By **Christopher Oji**

**THE** Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) in Lagos State will today commence Operation Show Your Driver's Licence and Vehicle licence to checkmate the spate of accidents, especially truck-related crashes and fatalities in the state.

The Lagos State Sector Commander of FRSC, Corps Commander, Olusegun Ogungbemide disclosed this on Sunday in Lagos

In a statement signed by Route Commander, Sector Public Education Officer, Olabisi Sonusi: "Ogungbemide decried the spate of crashes and fatalities linked to articulated vehicles in the state. According to him, some of the crashes are preventable if drivers have been more careful and patient on the roads.

"With the recent increase in the accidents involving articulated vehicles in the state, there is the need for all drivers to be handy with their Drivers licence and valid vehicle papers as the command begins Operation Show Your Driver's Licence and Vehicle licence."

cesses of his men said with these numbers:" 081-21226468, 080-81911644, 090-95097307 and 080-55911306.

"We will be able to change the narratives. The era of impunity is gone. When you see something, say something.

"When you have information about any crime, call immediately. When you see excesses of my men, call immediately and you will see action. I have told my men that as they do their duties, they should respect human rights and must not intimate or harass citizens. I have also charged them to go after criminals".