A criminal gang that allegedly beheaded an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP) along East Street, Ndiegoro, Aba, Abia State, has threatened to sack residents of the entire area.

The deceased, popularly known as "Agbalagba" and said to be from Ebonyi State, was gruesomely murdered, with his head cut off, along East Street, on Tuesday morning (at about past 5am), by members of the gang, who also made away with his gun and uniform.

This is, as another gang, suspected to be unknown gunmen, killed three members of a community vigilance group in the Etiti Ohazu, Obohia area of Ngwa Road.

A very reliable senior police source told Daily Sun, that the ASP, from what they have gathered, may have been beheaded in retaliation by a notorious criminal group, whose leader was killed during a gun battle on Sunday, April 23, 2023.

It was gathered that on that day, the leader of the gang, popularly known in the area as JP, got demobilised in a gun battle with men of the Nigerian Police, which caught him and his gang carrying out criminal activities.

The source said JP and his gang on sighting the police, opened fire but were overpowered and chased up to the Orji Uzor-Kalu Bridge, along Emelogu Street, linking Ngwa Road, Peoples Road with Akpu Road, in the Ogbor Hill axis.

The source said: "JP, on seeing the determination of the police to get him apprehended, jumped into the Aba River (Waterside), and tried to escape through the Ovom/Azumini link of the river before the determined officers gunned him down right inside the river."