



[webcutter](#)
Webcutter makes internet control easier
www.webcutter.info

Ads by Google

Win N1m CASH EVERYDAY  Simply text "WIN" to 555 now!
text 4 millions

Good Afternoon! Thursday October 08, 2009

Services

[Back Page](#)
[Advert Rates](#)
[Online Advert Rates](#)

News

[Home](#)
[National](#)
[Business News](#)
[Abuja Reports](#)
[Sports](#)
[Politics](#)
[Sun Girl](#)

Editorial

[Editorial Issues](#)
[Letters](#)
[Opinion](#)
[Columnists](#)

Community

[Standard Guestbook](#)
[View Guestbook](#)
[Sun Chatroom](#)

Features

[Appetit](#)
[Arts](#)
[BlockBuster](#)
[CEO Magazine](#)
[Celebrity Fashion](#)
[City Sun](#)
[Crime Watch](#)
[Covert Choice](#)
[CyberSun](#)
[Education](#)
[Enterprise](#)
[Everyday Heroes](#)
[Exquisite Property](#)
[Fashion & Celebrity](#)
[Fashion & Beauty](#)
[Favourite File](#)
[Good Health](#)
[Health Magazine](#)
[How I write](#)
[Literari](#)
[Life Style](#)
[Living](#)
[Mafia Series](#)
[Man in the street](#)
[Man in the pulpit](#)
[Managing a Law Firm](#)
[Me & My God](#)
[Media People](#)
[Money](#)
[Motoring](#)
[Power Game](#)
[Romance](#)
[Romantic Faction](#)
[Senior Citizen](#)
[Showtime](#)
[Smoking Guns](#)

Gunmen's attempt to kidnap Obi of Onitsha flops

From NWABUEZE OKONKWO, Onitsha
Saturday, October 3, 2009

The Anambra Police Command on Thursday night foiled an attempt by some gun men, suspected to be kidnappers, to abduct the Anambra State chairman of traditional rulers and the Obi of Onitsha, Igwe Alfred Nnaemeka Achebe.

The suspected kidnappers, who numbered about 10 and operated with a Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV) and a Mercedes salon car, according to eye witnesses, were dislodged by the men of Special Anti Robbery Squad, (SARS) attached to the Onitsha Area command when they struck between 8 and 9pm at Igwe Achebe's residence in GRA area of Onitsha.

After a gun duel with the hoodlums, the source continued, the police over-powered them, killing two of the suspected kidnappers in the process and recovered some arms and ammunition, including a rocket launcher with war-head, five AK 47 rifles, 53 loaded live magazines, 14 expended magazines, one giraffe grenade and one bag containing clothes from the kidnappers.

"Unfortunately, in the shootout between the police and the kidnappers, a woman was killed by stray bullets. She has been deposited at the Onitsha General Hospital mortuary, while four other casualties, who were hit by bullets are receiving treatment at the same hospital," the eye witness disclosed. When contacted, the Onitsha Police Area Commander, Mr. John Nwele, confirmed the incident to newsmen, adding that the Police also recovered the vehicles used by the kidnappers.

Also the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the State, Mr. Emeka Chukwuemeka (ASP), confirmed the incident, adding that the abductors started their operation at Neni, in Anaocha council area of the state and moved down to Onitsha, where they operated between 7.00 p.m and 10.00 p.m. Chukwuemeka said that there was "actually an attempt by some hoodlums to abduct the traditional monarch of Onitsha kingdom on Thursday evening, but was foiled by policemen within Onitsha and its environs".

The PPRO, however, said that the police arrested one of the hoodlums, who had serious bullet wounds, after an extensive gun duel.

"The police also recovered five AK47 rifle with 1,660 AK47 rifle live ammunition; one general purpose machine gun; two rocket launchers and some grenades from the hoodlums," Chukwuemeka stated.



Photo: Sun News Publishing

- [More Stories on This Section](#)

[Sun Splash](#)
[Sunlight of Islam](#)
[Travels](#)
[Wiveslives](#)
[Window of the world](#)
[Window on widows](#)
[Woman of the Sun](#)
[Women in Business](#)
[Women & Me](#)
[Videoscope](#)
[Young Ones](#)

Weekend Sun

[Saturday Sun](#)
[Sunday Sun](#)

Company Profile

[About Us](#)
[Contact Us](#)



© 2009 THE SUN PUBLISHING LTD. This service is provided on The Sun Newspapers' standard terms and conditions in accordance with our Privacy Policy.
To inquire about a licence to reproduce material and other inquiries, Contact Us.