

Driver abducts, kills boss, dumps body in septic tank

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A driver, identified simply as Clement Ekhuae, has allegedly abducted, killed and dumped the body of his employer, Pa Omo Osagie, in a septic tank at Ekiadolor community in Ovia North Local Government Area of Edo State. Already, policemen attached to the Homicide Department have arrested Ekhuae and two others in connection with the murder. This is as the police yesterday expressed satisfaction at the peaceful and low crime rate during Christmas and New Year celebrations across the state.

It was learnt that Ekhuae had, after carrying out the heinous crime, sold a vehicle belonging to his boss to a herbalist at Ovbiogie village. Ekhuae had also told the children of the deceased that their father was kidnapped and that the abductors demanded N2 million as ransom in the process.

Source close to the state police command disclosed that the children of the victim live overseas, pointing out that Ekhuae collected part of the ransom from the unsuspecting children upon a promise that their father would be released soon.

But the bubble burst when some relatives of the deceased visited his residence only to discover his decomposing body inside a septic tank which prompted them to raise the alarm. It was learnt that Ekhuae's attempt to collect a balance of N500,000 being part of the total amount from the sale of the car sold to the herbalist that policemen from Ekiadolor Divisional Station nabbed him.

The matter has been transferred to the state police command headquarters. In addition, the victim's body has been evacuated and deposited at a morgue for autopsy. When contacted yesterday, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), DSP Chidi Nwabuzor, said he was yet to be briefed on the ugly incident.