

# One dead, two missing as police raid Merchant Navy's camp in Lagos

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**O**ne person has been reported dead and two others missing in a raid of the Nigeria Merchant Navy training camp on Wednesday at Ogudu area of Lagos State.

It was learnt that one of the Merchant Navy personnel identified as Kingsley was recovered from the Lagoon on Wednesday evening, while search parties were still looking for other two missing members of the Merchant Navy in the lagoon.

It would be recalled that on Wednesday, Policemen stormed the training camp at Sandfield area of Ogudu one hundred and eight Merchant Navy suspects were arrested and their camps

burnt and some items recovered from the suspects includes certificates, cutlasses, portrait pictures and military accoutrements, charms.

Other items recovered includes badges, signboard, identify card, ranks, recruitment letters and promotion letters.

According to the Nigerian Merchant Navy Training Commander, Mr. Ichuku Agaba, they were in the camp when Policemen from Lagos State Command came and started shooting sporadically and "set our camp ablaze."

Agaba said as that was going on, some policemen were dragging their men into their black Maria vehicle.

"It was like a war zone when

they came, three of our men who resisted arrest were pushed into the Lagoon and they drown in the process, we brought out one dead and since then we have not seen the remaining two men, we are waiting for water to bring them back to the shore of the river. This was not the first time they have killed our men.

"We have taken the corpse we recovered to mortuary, we did not have issues with the police before now, they stormed our training camp and started shooting sporadically. We are not doing illegal job, the bill that established us has passed second reading at the National Assembly, we don't go out, we are only training pending when we are going to get the approval."