

Edo police dislodge kidnappers from Lagos-Benin highway, kill one

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Police in Edo State yesterday said they dislodged suspected kidnappers from the Lagos-Benin Expressway, killing one of them while others escaped with gunshot wounds.

In a statement, the spokesman, SP Bello Kontongs, said ammunition was recovered from the suspects.

Kontongs said: "Acting on credible information that hoodlums suspected to be kidnappers had barricaded the Lagos-Benin

Expressway in a bid to kidnap travellers, the Egba Sector of the command responded swiftly and neutralized them, killing one of the suspected kidnappers while others escaped with gunshot wounds.

"One cut-to-size double barrel, an expanded cartridge, and an AK-47 rifle. Rigorous bush combing to track other fleeing members of the gang for possible arrest is ongoing."

According to him, the Commissioner of Police, Yaro Abutu, said they would not allow criminal elements to make life unbearable for the public.