

Gunmen behead Assistant Superintendent of Police in Abia

Gunmen have killed and beheaded an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), serving under the Abia State Command.

The ASP identified simply as 'Agbalagba' was said to be attached to the Ndi-egoro Police Division in Aba South Local Government Area of the state.

It was learnt that the gunmen, after killing and

beheading the police officer, made away with his gun and uniform.

The ASP, an indigene of Ebonyi State, who led the patrol team was said to be

due for retirement by September.

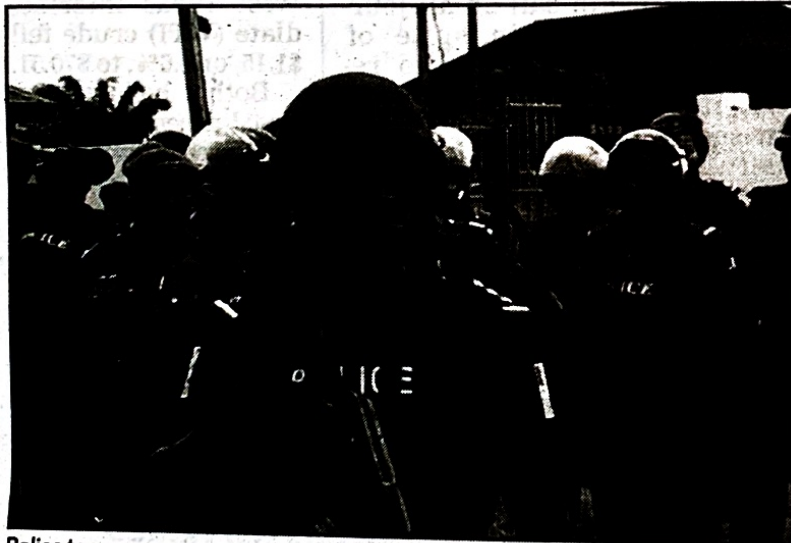
Late Agbalagba and his team were said to be on an early morning stop-and-search operation on Tues-

day at Cameroon road by East when the gunmen swooped on them unawares.

The Abia police spokesman, Geoffrey Ogbonna didn't pick up calls or re-

spond to SMS.

However, a source at the State Command confirmed the incident, adding that investigation into the matter has commenced.



Police team

Sexual Assault: Convict gets life imprisonment

Francis Iwuchukwu

Justice Abiola Soladoye of an Ikeja Sexual Offences and Domestic Violence Court, yesterday, sentenced one Idowu Adegoke to life imprisonment for sexually assaulting his neighbour's seven-year-old daughter.

In arriving at the decision after finding Adegoke guilty of the offence, the judge held that the prosecution had sufficiently proved the charge of sexual assault against the convict.

day at all.

"In the same breath, the convict stated that he saw the victim attempting to use the bathroom with fresh concrete work done and spoke to her not to use the bathroom.

"The defendant also told the court that he informed the survivor's mother that he was only trying to tell the victim about the concrete work done on the bathroom floor.

"This is an attempt to lie his way out of the case. The court finds that the evidence of the respective wit-

nesses is sufficient to find the defendant guilty as charged, he is consequently convicted and sentenced to a term of life imprisonment.

"His name is also to be entered in the Sexual Offenders Register as maintained by the Lagos State Government."

While the trial on the matter lasted, the prosecution presented four witnesses to testify while the convict testified as a sole witness.

According to the prosecution, Adegoke committed the offence on November 28, 2018, at Ayantunja Street, Mushin, Lagos, with an in-