

# Security Operatives Kill 17-year-old Boy While Arresting Suspect

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## .Police arrest 19-year-old for kidnapping

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Police in Anambra State have arrested two security operatives for accidentally killing a 17 years old boy in Onitsha Main Market while trying to arrest a suspect.

This is coming as a 19-year-old boy who is suspected to be a member of a deadly criminal gang that specialises in kidnapping has been arrested.

Both information were contained in separate press statements issued by the Anambra State Police Command's Public Relations Officer, SP Tochukwu Ikenga.

Ikenga said the security operatives suspected to be members of the local vigilante shot sporadically into the air, while attempting to arrest a suspect but a boy was hit by a bullet leading to his death.

"Police operatives attached to the Onitsha Main Market Police Division leveraging on the support of some traders, have arrested two suspects allegedly involved in the murder of a 17-year-old boy and recovered one automatic pump action gun.

"Eyewitness accounts revealed that the suspects who were allegedly security operatives while attempting to arrest a suspect started shooting indiscriminately and regrettably, a bullet hit the innocent boy," Ikenga said.