## Police kill 8 robbers in Benue

By Peter Duru

AKURDI—MEN of the Benue State Police Command at the weekend in Makurdi gunned down eight suspected armed robbers who were said to have attacked and shot one Dr. David Orjime, a member of the Benue State House of Assembly representing Gboko West at the house.

Displaying the remains of

the eight robbers, the State PPRO, Mr. Samuel Jinadu, disclosed that they had on the fateful day forcefully gained entrance into the house of the legislator at the wee house of the day through one of the windows in his house; and carted away a sum of four hundred and fifty thousand Naira, a laptop computer set and four assorted mobile phones, after they had shot the legislator on his lap.

But acting on a tip off, the police stormed and searched the area of the commission of the crime and discovered the hideout of the criminals who were busy sharing their loot. But on sighting them the police engaged them in a shootout and in the process all members of the gang were killed and the police recovered from the scene 2 guns, ammunitions and all they stole from the lawmaker.

Similarly, a Mercedes 1414 bus with registration number Abuja ZA 397 BWR with the inscription "Dabo motors" which loaded passengers from Takum in Taraba State and heading for Onitsha in Anambra State, was forcefully stopped midway into its journey at his home town in Gwer LGA of Benue State by two armed passengers who brought out their guns and robbed all the passengers in the vehicle.

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## Minister rescues accident victims

By Inalegwu Shaibu

ABUJA—MINISTER of State for Health, Architect Gabriel Aduku, over the weekend displayed an exemplary leadership quality as required by his portfolio when he rescued two accident victims along Lokoja- Abuja expressway from the hands of death.

The accident was said to have occurred when two vehicles from the opposite directions had a head on collision, causing one of the cars to summersault over and over, ending up trapping one of the victims.

The timely arrival of the minister who was on his way back to Abuja from a tour of some health facilities in Kogi State was the saving grace for the victims as he quickly went to work by providing first aid treatment and also directing vehicular movements at the scene of the accident.

The two cars with only one occupants each were badly damaged beyond repairs, leaving one of the drivers in a very critical condition.

Both victims were later conveyed to the Federal Medical Centre, Lokoja for treatment.

Before continuing his journey, architect Aduku prayed for God to protect the lives of the accident victims, while cautioning other road users to drive with care and obey every road sign.