

## NAFDAC officer killed, 4 kidnapped

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LAGOS — AN Assistant Chief Regulatory Officer of the National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control, NAFDAC, in Port Harcourt, Mr. Obi Emeka Wohley has been murdered by unknown hoodlums while on the way to his village in Owerri, Imo State.

Four staff of the Agency who went to pay a condolence visit to the family of the murdered staff, yesterday, were also kidnapped by unknown persons.

NAFDAC's Director of Media and Public Relations, Alhaji Abubakar Jimoh, who spoke on behalf of the Director-General of the Agency, Dr. Paul Orhii, told Vanguard in a telephone chat that the incidence was tragic.

Orhii, who was said to be in shock since the news of the tragic incidence, hinted that the kidnappers are demanding N4 million ransom per head.

Orhii told Vanguard that the late Obi Emeka was said to have travelled, weekend, only for the agency to discover last Monday that he was not in the office.

He said: "The officer was said to have traveled, weekend, to his village but when the staff did not see

him on Monday in the office, the office decided to call his wife. The wife also confirmed that he was not at home. Our staff decided to organize a search party. Unfortunately, his body was discovered in a village in Owerri, Imo State.”

Orhii said that already all security agencies have been contacted, adding that they were working round the clock to fish out perpetrators of the crime.

On the four staff of the Agency kidnapped, Orhii said that one of them, who is pregnant has been released while the others are still being held by the kidnappers.

He said the four staff were kidnapped on the road between Aba and Owerri while on their way to late Emeka’s village for a condolence visit on behalf of the Agency.

### Unprovoked attacks

The Director General who condemned the killing said the ugly scenario was devastating and sad adding that unprovoked attacks on its officials in the course of their lawful duties are uncalled for.

He added: “We are only doing our jobs for humanity sake. We are not witch-hunting anybody but to ensure that the lives of Nigerians are not put at risk by activities of counterfeiters.”



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