Police kill Lucifer, Rivers kidnap lord

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PORT HARCOURT—A notorious kidnapper, Ekweme Brown, popularly known as Lucifer, has been shot dead by policemen in Rivers, an official said.

Rivers Police Command spokesman, DSP Nnamdi Omoni, confirmed the killing in a statement in Port Harcourt, yesterday, saying Lucifer was killed during an operation launched specifically to apprehend him.

"Ekweme Brown, a.k.a Lucifer, was killed by men of Operation Sting, in a sting operation led by ACP Shem Evans.

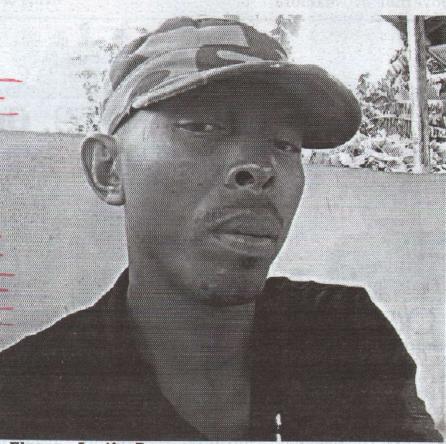
"Brown is responsible for all the kidnappings and hijack of commercial buses on the Ndele axis of the East-West

Road in the state."

Omoni added that the Police
Command had declared the deceased wanted, following intelligence report that fingered him as mastermind of several abductions on the road.

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Ekweme Lucifer Brown

His words: "The most wanted notorious kidnapper is an indigene of Egamini Rundele in Emohua Local Government Area of Rivers State.

"The entire Rundele

community has been thrown into wild jubilation, following announcement of his death."

The Police spokesman added the command was currently on the trail of members of *Lucifer's* gang.