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## Murder of DPO: Police kill suspected IPoB/ESN commander in Imo involved in the killing of DPO in 'In the process' involved in the killing of DPO in 'In the pro

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O State Police operatives of the Anti-Kidnapping squad, yesterday, alleged that they have killed a suspected commander of the armed wing of the Indigenous People of Biafra, IPoB, known as Eastern Security Network, ESN, linked to the killing of a police DPO, and

another officer in Aboh Mbaise council area of the state, on Monday.

The State Police Public Relations Officer, PPRO, Henry Okoye, disclosed this to newsmen in Owerri.

On how the Police squad made a breakthrough, the command narrated that; "Following the confessions made by a suspected IPOB/ESN terrorist allegedly involved in the killing of DPO in Ahiazu Mbaise and other dastardly acts in the Mbaise axis, operatives of the Command's Anti-Kidnapping squad led by CSP Oladimeji Odeyeyiwa, on Monday 4th of December, 2023 stormed the criminal hideout of a deadly IPOB/ESN Terrorist Syndicate led by Ebube Virus and Ishaka, at Umuoqu Amuzu in Aboh-Mbaise LGA of Imo State and dislodged the terrorists.

"In the process, the Second in Command to Ebube Virus who is famous on the Command's wanted list due to their nefarious activities in the Mbaise axis was neutralized in a fierce gunfight that ensued between the terrorists and the combat-ready Police operatives. While others escaped with gunshot injuries, one AK 47 riffle loaded with 19 rounds of live ammunition was recovered from the neutralized terrorist."

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