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6<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY, 2026.

**MPS ARRESTS THREE OVER MURDER OF ENGINEER, RECOVERS PISTOL**

The Malawi Police Service (MPS) has arrested three suspects in connection with the murder of two men that occurred on January 25, 2026 in Dedza District.

The suspects are: Kennedy Demson (29), Barbra Nkwezalamba (25), and Witman Elisa (19), all from Kunthulu Village, Traditional Authority Malili, Lilongwe District.

The suspects allegedly boarded a company motor vehicle at six miles in Lilongwe as unauthorized passengers before staging an armed attack at Lizulu in Ntcheu District.

During the incident, one victim, an Engineer with Central East Africa Railways (CEAR), was shot dead while attempting to escape, while the second died allegedly after jumping from the moving vehicle.

The vehicle, which was a company motor vehicle assigned to the deceased Engineer, was later dumped in Dedza.

However, MPS detectives were on the ground and have since recovered a pistol believed to have been used in committing the offence. Other recovered items include mobile phones and a bag containing personal and official items belonging to one of the deceased.

MPS warns the public and motorists against offering lifts to unauthorized passengers, especially at night, as this exposes them to violent crimes.



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