

# 2 Arrested Over Death Of Teenagers



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The Federal Capital Territory (FCT) Police Command has arrested two suspects in connection with a case of culpable homicide that occurred in the Byazhin area of the FCT.

A statement by Josephine Adeh, the command's spokesman, said on February 12, 2026, at about 11:45pm, the Byazhin Divisional Headquarters received a distress call reporting that one Chidera Benjamin (16) of Byazhin Across, had allegedly inflicted severe machete injuries on his mother during a domestic dispute.

She said upon receipt of the report, police officers were immediately dispatched to the scene.

According to her, preliminary investigations revealed that two neighbours—Cosmos Okafor, (31) and Okechukwu Wisdom, (17)—allegedly attacked Chidera Benjamin in retaliation for the incident.

'Further findings indicated that the confrontation stemmed from allegations that Chidera had been transferring funds from his mother's bank account into his personal Opay account without her consent.

‘When his mother confronted him over the unauthorized transactions, he became violent and attacked her with a machete, causing serious injury to her hand.

‘The two neighbours, who witnessed the assault, attacked Chidera in response. During the ensuing altercation, Chidera sustained severe injuries and lost consciousness. He was rushed to Kubwa General Hospital, where he was later confirmed dead by the medical team.’

Meanwhile, the command said both suspects have been arrested.

The Commissioner of Police, FCT Command, CP Miller G. Dantawaye, while commiserating with the family, urged residents to always adopt peaceful and lawful means of resolving disputes.

He cautioned against taking the law into one’s own hands, noting that actions taken in moments of anger can lead to tragic and irreversible consequences.

The suspects remain in custody and will be charged to court upon the conclusion of investigations.