

20-year-old man kills father's stepmother in Jos

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A 20-year-old man, Ibrahim (surname withheld), murdered his father's 70-year-old stepmother.

The *Nigerian Tribune* learnt that the incident occurred at about 3pm, in Jos North Local Government Area, when the suspect broke into the woman's room, attacked her and ensured she died before he fled.

The father of the suspect, Abubakar (surname withheld), who claimed that his

son committed the act, alleged that he stabbed and strangled the woman before fleeing.

He said since the attack, the police and local security men in the community have been searching for the suspect.

One of the deceased's daughters, Ummi, alleged that Ibrahim had previously promised vengeance following a quarrel between him and her younger brother, Musa, after he allegedly stabbed him with a knife last year.

Ummi said: "Ibrahim and

our younger brother, Musa, fought last year, and in the process, Musa stabbed him in the stomach.

He was rushed to the hospital. While in hospital, Ibrahim vowed to take revenge on either the deceased's children or their mother, and today, he's actualised his threat.

"While in the hospital, the deceased was the one who took care of him [Ibrahim]: One of the nurses then told us that the utterances coming from Ibrahim were dan-

gerous and frightening. The nurse stated that he vowed to take revenge either on the mother or her other children"

A family source disclosed that the Divisional Police Officer in charge of Laranto Division and other security agents were at the deceased's house on Tuesday for firsthand information about the incident.

Spokesman for the Plateau State police command, SP Alfred Alabo, was yet to confirm the incident as at presstime.