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### Driver docked for killing lover

BARRY AGBANIGBI, *Asaba*

FOR the allegedly killing a 47 year old woman, Ms Ngozi Esinre Eborka, a 39 year old driver, Goodnews Atonmeta was yesterday, arraigned before an Asaba magistrate court.

The victim, a bursar at Ugbodo Secondary School, Ugbolu, Oshimili North Local Government of Delta State and the alleged killer were reportedly lovers for several years, but parted ways a few days before the incident.

The deceased was allegedly murdered in her room in Asaba by the accused on March 20 with a broken bottle. No plea was taken after the single charge was read to the accused.

The charge reads: "that you Goodness Atonmeta, male, that on 20th day of March at Jonny Okogwu Compound, Obogo quarters in Asaba, Magistrate district did kill one Ngozi Esinre Eborka, aged 47 years by stabbing her to death with broken bottle and thereby committing an offence punishable under section 319 of the Criminal Code Cap 48 Volume 11 law of the defunct Bendel state of Nigeria as applicable to Delta state".

Trial magistrate, Mrs. Patricia U. Nsolo adjourned the case to May 25 for further hearing.

She however said her court had no jurisdiction to hear the matter and as such the case file be sent to the Director of Public Prosecution (DPP) for advice.

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