



•Late Olumide Oyelowo and his wife Yetunde who were murdered in their Ibadan residence by assassins early Sunday morning.

# Husband, wife murdered over Oyo NURTW crisis

## •Tokyo' names assailants

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FACtIONAL crisis rocking the National Union of Road Transport Workers (NURTW) in Oyo State has taken a frightening twist with the cold murder of a member of the two factions together with his wife, inside the couple's bedroom, in the presence of their three kid children.

The senseless killing which occurred in the early hours of Sunday, precisely at about 2 a.m. was coming up as the opposing factions of the Union devised new methods of attacking and killing 'sworn-enemies' in their homes.

Sources said that suspected members of the union stormed the residence of one Olumide Oyelowo, at Alalubosa, Molade area of Alakia Brewery, Ibadan under the cover of darkness and shot him dead in the presence of his wife, Yetunde.

The wife who could not believe her eyes cried aloud over the dastardly act, just as she called the name of one of the assailants whom she apparently recognized saying "....., you also followed them." But in a

sharp response, the assailants equally shot at her very closely by her left lower lib for having the effrontery to call the name of one of them.

Consequently, the dying husband and wife were left in the pool of their own blood while their three kids including a three-month-old baby were agonizing and crying seeing the lifeless bodies of their parents, with blood oozing out ceaselessly.

Addressing journalists over the incident in Ibadan on Tuesday, the reinstated Chairman of the union, Alhaji. Abudl Lateef Akinsola Oloruhtoki (a.k.a. Tokyo) named two of the assailants who allegedly perpetrated the attack as one Segun Aso-Rock and Fatai Mojara, saying they both belonged to the NURTW faction led by the ousted Chairman of the union in the state, Alhaji Lateef Salako (a.k.a. Eleweomo).

While calling on the Inspector-General of Police, Mr. Hafiz Ringim not to let the matter be swept under the carpet, Tokyo hinted precisely,

that the two alleged suspects were "among the killer squad of Eleweomo's Deputy, Alhaji Mukaila Lamidi (a.k.a. Auxiliary)."

"They resorted to such dastardly act because they saw him (Olumide Oyelowo) as a traitor for his (deceased) alleged closeness to some members of my faction," Tokyo told newsmen.

Questioned on why the alleged suspects who are Eleweomo's members would have purportedly kill their colleague, Tokyo said "they saw in him a traitor who should not be spared for having leaked their tactics and plans in the series of past attacks on the union secretariat at Olomi here as the handiwork of Oyelowo and believed he must pay dearly for it."

"This is their thinking and such a barbaric act is not only ungodly but also condemnable; killing fellow human being you can not create yourself," Tokyo said.

Leader of the other faction of the crisis-ridden union, Alhaji Lateef Salako a.k.a. Eleweomo however described Tokyo's accusation as unfounded querying rhetorically how

he or any other member of his camp would ever contemplate killing a group member.

Eleweomo maintained in a telephone chat with newsmen that the man that was killed was a Park Manager and member of his faction.

He declared: "We got to know it on good authority that Tokyo had been boasting that when he kills our men one by one, we will not have anybody to call members of our own. And you will recall that, just about four weeks ago, Tokyo's men kidnapped three of my supporters and later killed them before we went there to carry their corpse and took them to the deputy-governor of the state and later to the office of the Commissioner of Police at Eleyele."

As at the time of filing in this report, efforts to get reactions of the Commissioner of Police for the State Command, Alhaji Baba Adisa Bolanta failed. However, the Command's Public Relation Officer, DSP Olabisi Okuwobi said she was not aware of the incident and asked that she be given time to find out from the Divisional Police Station in the area.

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