

## Assasins Kill Dutch National Over \$50,000 Deal

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Unknown assassins yesterday killed a Dutch national, Mr. Kouwanhoven, in Port Harcourt over a business deal that went awry.

He was allegedly shot at close range by his assailants. The body of the Dutchman was found on Sunday morning in his residence located at 79 Evo road, new GRA, Port Harcourt after his assailants had departed.

Before his death, Kouwanhoven was the owner of Blue Café restaurant on Olu Obasanjo street, Port Harcourt. Daily Trust learnt that his killers left behind a note claiming that they gave him \$50,000 to buy cars for them but he neither refunded their money nor bought the cars.

Rivers state Commissioner of Police, Mr. Felix Ogbaudu who confirmed the assassination disclosed that the killers left a note which established their reason for killing their victim.

"He was killed this morning and we have confirmed that he is a Dutch national who has lived in the State for a very long time. He is the proprietor of Blue Café restaurant and was killed in his house. My men are there to tidy up things and take his body to the mortuary."

For the assailants to have carried out the killing, they must have successfully beaten the various check points mounted in Port Harcourt by men of the Joint Task Force.

The police boss further disclosed that investigations into the incident has commenced even though it appears doubtful if the car deal theory could help in locating the killers