

# Three killed in tanker explosion

From Yahaya Ibrahim, Maiduguri

THREE persons were killed yesterday when a petroleum tanker exploded along Bama-Banki junction in Bama Local Government Area of Borno State after the driver of the tanker lost control and rammed into a make-shift shed beside the road.

Our correspondent who was at the scene of the incident while the fire raged spoke with a witness who confirmed that the driver of the tanker, a woman who was trading by the road side and her son were killed in the explosion.

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# Pandemonium as cop kills driver over N50

From Femi Akinola, Lagos

THERE was pandemonium yesterday at Egbeda area of Lagos State when a policeman allegedly shot and killed a commercial bus driver over N50.

There was breakdown of law and order for over one hour during which the police patrol van in which the killer police rode to the point where he shot the driver was burnt while some property were vandalized by irate drivers.

Witnesses told our correspondent that a police patrol van waylaid the commercial bus plying Egbeda-

Akowonjo route demanding N50.

Reacting to the incident, Police Public Relations Officer in Lagos, Mr. Frank Mba, confirmed that the killer policeman had been detained while a reinforcement team was sent to the scene to ensure that normalcy returned. According to him, 24 people connected to the vandalism of people's property and the police patrol vehicle were arrested.

Meanwhile, the body of the late driver has been deposited at the mortuary of Lagos State University Teaching Hospital, Ikeja for autopsy, the police spokesman confirmed.