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Tenant stabs landlord to death over quit notice

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The police in Lagos have arrested a 45-year-old man for allegedly stabbing his landlord to death for giving him a quit notice.

The suspect was paraded yesterday in Lagos by the state police spokesman, Mr Frank Mba. Mba told journalists that the suspect was arrested on September 9 at Morogbo area of Ikorodu, Lagos, after allegedly stabbing his landlord in different parts of the body.

"The suspect claimed his landlord gave him one-month quit notice from his one-room apartment. He claimed he was not happy over this and decided to inflict injuries on him if it would make him change his mind. On that day at about 5 a.m., he went to knock at the door of the landlord, one John Olatunji, 65, and told him that smoke was coming out of his car.

The landlord hurriedly came out to check his car. As he bent down to check the purported smoke, the suspect brought out a knife and stabbed him at different parts of his body. The landlord collapsed and was taken to a private hospital, where he died three days later due to the injuries," Mba said.

The police spokesman said the suspect, who claimed he had spent about nine years in the house before the sad incident, said he regretted his action as he never meant to kill his landlord. Mba said the suspect would soon be charged to court for inflicting injuries that caused the death of his landlord. (NAN)

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