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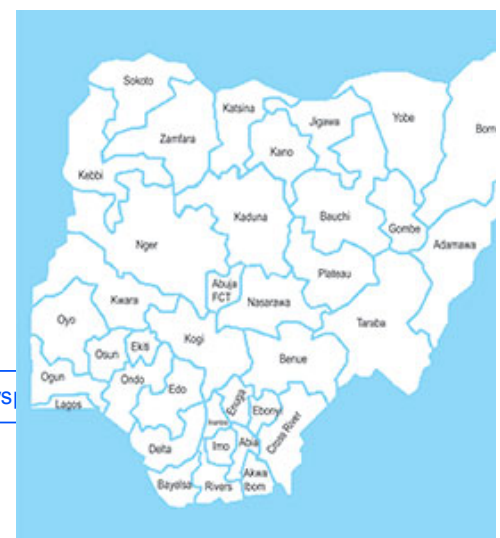
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There is tension in Umuoba-Anam in Anambra East local government area of Anambra State over alleged killing of two cattle breeders by unknown persons in the area.

South East leader of cattle breeders association, otherwise known as Miyetti-Allah

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Cattle Breeders Association of Nigeria, Alhaji Sadiq Gidado, said the incident happened over the weekend while they were grazing.

He said the cattle breeders were initially grazing at Eziagulu-Otu community before they decided to go to Otuocho market, both in Anambra East council area to buy some things, where they were abducted by some youths.

"Since then, the two persons had not been seen, but their caps and shoes which they took to the place had been recovered, except the motorcycle," he said, adding, "If they were killed, all we want to see is their bodies and we will be satisfied. I don't know why some people want to cause trouble after the peace accord with the state government and security operatives in Anambra," he said.

Speaking with newsmen in Awka yesterday, Alhaji Bello Nuhu who is the father of one of the victims, Musa Bello Nuhu, 26, said he had not slept since the incident.

The 60-year-old man said he had the feeling that his son had been killed by the youths since his shoes and caps were recovered, adding that he equally saw blood at the scene of the incident.

"I was in my house when I got a call and I rushed to the place and since then, I'm devastated because that my son is in charge of my cattle. The other siblings of his cannot take care of the cattle," he said.

The state commissioner of police, Samuel Okaula assured that anybody involved in any unwholesome act would face the full weight of law, as the command was not leaving anything to chance in the community.



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