

## NEWS



# 5 killed in A/Ibom cult clash

From Iniabasi Umo, Uyo

two rival cult groups  
clashed.

Some people were reportedly killed in Urua Ekpa community, an outskirts of Uyo, Akwa Ibom State, between Tuesday and Wednesday when

Eyewitnesses put the casualty figure at five. The clash, said to involve members of the vikings confraternity and iceland group, started over a girl Tuesday night

and continued yesterday morning.

It was learnt that policemen from 'E' Division were later dispatched to the area.

The spokesman of the state police command, Odiko Macdon,

confirmed the incident in a text message sent to our correspondent.

He, however, said no life was confirmed lost.

He said: "The Akwa Ibom Police Command received a distress call about a clash between

two rival cult groups around Urua Ekpa area. The Commissioner of Police ordered immediate deployment. Two persons have been arrested. No life confirmed loss.

"Investigation is

ongoing, but normalcy has been restored. However, the command will not tolerate any act from any quarters that will truncate the peaceful disposition of the state. Those concerned must desist forthwith."

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