

Cult clash claims 8 in Rivers

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Eight persons reportedly died when rival cult groups clashed yesterday at Rumuelumeni in Obio Akpor Local Government Area of Rivers State.

The chairman of Rumuelumeni Community Development Committee, Sunny Odum, confirmed the incident to a radio station in Port Harcourt.

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He said the rival cult groups had engaged themselves in a gun battle in the early hours of Sunday.

He said one of a group of cultists had invaded the homes of the other group, killing about eight persons.

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He asked the residents of the area not to panic as the law enforcement agencies had been deployed in the area.

The spokesman of the state police command, Nnamdi Omoni, also confirmed the incident, but said three persons were killed and three others injured.

He said members of Demgba Dewell cult group engaged another cult group, the Icelanders, in a gun battle.