

# 2 killed as rival cult gang storms birthday party in Lagos

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Two persons were on Wednesday night hacked to death when suspected secret cult gang members stormed the venue of a birthday party at Shomolu area of Lagos.

Several other party goers also sustained injuries in the shootout as they scampered for safety.

It was learnt that the fracas was between two rival cult gang members in the area.

The incident, which reportedly occurred at Okesuna Street, off Abiodun area of Somolu created serious confusion as residents and passers-by scampered for safety, following the exchange of gunshots.

According to an eye witness, suspected members

of Aiye had trailed some rival gang members, Eiye, to the venue of the party.

The witness said the gang opened fire on the rival groups as soon as they identified one of them.

Eyewitnesses at the scene of the incident also stated that some guests at the party sustained gunshots as the warring gangsters shot sporadically.

One of the deceased persons was identified as Alabi, a.k.a. Para, who was hit by bullets during the exchange of gunfire by the gangsters.

A resident, who simply identified himself as Adesegun said: "It happened during a birthday celebration by one of the big boys in Okesuna area, Olumide

Adebayo, popularly known as Ogbor"

"It actually started between two Bariga gangsters Lukmon a.k.a. Baggio and Dayo a.k.a. Filo but another gangster from Somolu, Tope a.k.a. Sypon joined the clash.

The eyewitness also narrated that "At the party, it was Tope Sypon and Dayo Afilo that had a misunderstanding between them but because of the battle for superiority in Bariga between Lukmon Baggio and Afilo, he(Baggio) supported Sypon against Afilo."

When contacted, the image maker in charge of the state Police Command, Benjamin Hundeyin claimed not to have been briefed on the incident