Police kill 17-year-old trader in Jos

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A policeman on Monday morning killed a trader and injured one Okada rider at Bayan Banki Market of Jos North Local Government Area of Plateau State.

There was tension soon after the incident as traders of the market closed their shops and protested the killing of their member.

The incident occurred around 10:00am when a police patrol team, from the C Division, stormed Bayan Banki Market to arrest the Okada rider.

The Chairman of the market, Alhaji Yayaha Umar, who gave the name of the deceased as Ibuchi Offoneize, said they had commenced business in the morning when they suddenly had one of their members shot dead by the police trying to seize the motorcycle of the Okada rider.

He appealed to the government to take serious action to stop the recurrent killing by the police in the state.

The spokesperson of the state Police Command, DSP Alabo Alfred, didn't respond to calls by our correspondent.

Daily Trust reports that there was heavy tension around the area, which led to the redeployment of security personnel to calm the situation.