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THERE was pandemonium in Ring Road Benin City on Saturday night as a young man, whose real name was not known but simply identified as Black Arrow, was said to have been shot to death by his own friend, whom he ordered to try his anti-bullets charm by firing a loaded gun at him.

The Guardian reliably gathered that not less than two persons had been killed as a result of clash between two rival cults in the state capital.

The incident relating to the late Black Arrow, who

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was said to be a relative of a popular Benin chief and business mogul, occurred at about 5.00p.m. in the heart of Ogbe Quarters, close to the Oba Market.

The incident sparked off protests by angry youths in the area as they invaded the family house of the friend who shot him in a reprisal attack and set his residence ablaze.

The development forced shop owners and passers-by to scamper for safety.

Motorists and commercial bus drivers plying the Ekenwan Road axis had to abandon their vehicles while others used alternative routes.

Stern-looking policemen from the

state Command were deployed to restore normalcy to the troubled area as they fired teargas canisters and live bullets into the air to disperse the angry youths.

The Edo State Police Public Relation Officer, DSP Noble Umoh told The Guardian that he was yet to get full briefing on the developments in the state.

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