

# Female cop allegedly kills bus driver over N500 bribe

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**D**ESPITE the presence of the Inspector-General of Police, Solomon Arase, in Lagos, a female police corporal, on Sunday night, allegedly beat up and killed a commercial bus driver, Muiyiwa Ijaduola, at the Igando area of the state.

The policewoman, whose identity is still unknown, attached to the Igando Police Division, was said to have attempted to compel the driver to drop the usual gratification for the police, but he refused.

Taking laws into her hands, she allegedly dragged him down from the bus and used her baton to beat him to a pulp, in the full glare of her colleagues and passersby.

While she was beating him, the driver who tried to protect his head with his hands, slipped and fell into the drainage, hitting his head on the ground.

The police have since removed his body, even as family members have been invited to the station for a meeting with the Divisional Police Officer.

According to an eyewitness account, the policewoman had stopped the

deceased in front of NNPC Bus Stop, demanding that she be given N500 as part of her settlement.

The source that spoke on condition of anonymity said: "The driver had explained that he was just resuming work for the day, thus he didn't have enough money on him but the policewoman refused his appeal for mercy.

"She began to hit him with her baton. She even forced him down from the bus. It was in the process that he slipped and died. Immediately she noticed that he had stopped moving, she and her colleagues ran away."

However, the Acting Lagos State police spokesman, Chukwuma Ozoani, told *The Guardian* that the victim slumped and died and that he was not beaten by the police.

According to him, "the victim was not beaten by police women. How could police traffic officers, who are not armed beat a man to death? The man slumped at the bus stop and died. Some people said he had epilepsy. Police-women have no hand in the death. The police were trying to take him to the hospital when it was discovered that he had no life in him anymore."

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