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## Revisit Onokpite's murder, release Kevin Onirah, group begs government

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Late Ogbe Onokpite

A coalition of Urhobo Nation Young Leaders and Stakeholders (CUNYLS) has called on appropriate authorities to revisit the extra-judicial murder of Chief Ogbe Onokpite, who was killed seven years ago in Warri, Delta State and bring perpetrators to justice.

The group, which is made up of Urhobo Progress Union, Price of Place and Self-Determination Movement, in a press release signed by Rex Ekiugbo Anighoro, a rights activist, equally demanded for the unconditional release of Kelvin Onirah, a Niger Delta activist, who was detained for challenging the marginalisation of the Urhobo nation by the Nigerian state.

The group, which recently staged a protest in Abuja, said in a statement: "We demand freedom for Kelvin Onirah, who as a Niger Delta activist, engaged in pursuit for advancing Urhobo and Niger Delta greater good, just like many other Niger Delta agitators, who are walking free.

"We demand his unconditional release. We believe it will aid the cause of peace and integration in the region for the good of all.

"We also demand justice for the extra-judicial murder of Chief Ogbe Onokpite, a prominent Urhobo young adult, whose death seven years ago, has remained a sad commentary of injustice.

"We call on all Urhobo leaders in the Urhobo Progress Union (UPU) to rise up to pursue freedom and justice for these two Urhobo sons, irrespective of perceived and alleged shortcomings..."

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