

## Gunmen Kill Ondo Varsity Student

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Gunmen have killed a 300 level student of Adekunle Ajasin University Akungba, Akoko (AAUA), Ondo Town in Ondo West Local Government Area of Ondo State.

The student, Yemi Akinbamiwa, said to be the son of a popular food vendor in the community, was murdered on Ondo-Akure Road on Monday evening while on an errand for his mother.

While some attributed the killing to cult clash, others said it was a robbery incident. A resident told journalists yesterday said the late Akinbamiwa was spotted on Akure Road holding a black nylon bag containing a huge amount of money.

According to the resident, the gunmen, who were on a motorcycle, shot Akinbamiwa because he refused to release the money.

The source said the hoodlums eventually collected the money and fled while shooting sporadically into the air apparently to scare people. But another source said Akinbamiwa's killing was a result of clashes among some cultists in the town.

He said it was superiority contest that led to the killing of the student whose mates were sitting for their semester examinations in Akungba-Akoko. A few minutes later, a detachment of police from the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) from Yaba Divisional Police Station later arrived the area.

Akinbamiwa's body was later taken to the mortuary of the State Specialist Hospital by the police who later kept vigil in the area. They were later seen patrolling the whole area and mounted several road blocks within the town apparently to forestall further break down of law and order.

The state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Mr. Femi Joseph, said investigations had begun into the matter. Joseph promised that the culprits would soon be brought to book. He, however, said he could not confirm yet whether it was a robbery incident or cult clash.