

Police Allegedly Kill, Bury Victim In Yola

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IN Adamawa State, the police have lately turned their guns against helpless civilians. The reinvented Federal Special Anti-Robbery Squad (F-SARS) has been allegedly perpetrating the killings.

This week alone in Yola, the killer cops snuffed life out of two helpless civilians, even when the killing of five young men in Gombi Local Government Area of the state by the police was yet to be resolved by the State Command.

The two young men, who were arrested over alleged theft, died in police custody.

One of them, Emmanuel Nicks, 24, had gone to watch Champions League match last Tuesday, around Wuro Chekke in Yola town and never returned home.

According to family sources, his mother spoke to him last around 10.00pm on that fateful day. It was after three days of searching for him that the family learnt that the police had killed their son and his body was deposited at the mortuary of the state Specialist Hospital by the killer cop.

The father of the deceased, Nicks Kaino, alleged that there was a cover up by the State Police Command because, "the police officer, Ahmed Suleiman, who deposited the corpse

at the mortuary later went and retrieved the corpse for burial without the knowledge of the family."

He added: "I was not contacted by the police over my son's death. The police are conspiring to shield the killer cop, Ahmed Suleiman, the police officer, who deposited his body at the mortuary. Instead, the police are trying to frame the death on three vigilante men, who claimed they arrested Nisa with a jerrycan of diesel close to a telecom mast at Wuro Chekke, in Yola town and handed him over to the police alive."

The second death involved Abdullahi Maimatarba, a father of five who also died at

the state Specialist Hospital as a result of police brutality. Abdullahi, according to his family, died in chains on the second day of his arrest and interrogation by the police. His wife, who spoke with journalists in tears, said Abdullahi was arrested by the police at his residence about 1.00am and taken to Doubelli Police Station. She alleged the police tortured him into a state of coma before taking to the Specialist Hospital, where he eventually died.

Business activities were temporarily shut-down when news of Abdullahi's death fil-

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