



Chairman, Presidential Inauguration Committee/Secretary to the Government of the Federation, Mr Boss Mustapha (2<sup>nd</sup> left) leading other members during an inspection of the Eagle Square, venue of the inauguration of President Muhammadu Buhari for a second term in office in Abuja...yesterday

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## Man Commits Suicide After Killing Wife, Son

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IN a series of shocking events that have thrown the family, friends and neighbours of the Enifa family residing at 12, Obafemi Eruja Street, behind Solebo Estate, Ikorodu, Lagos into a state of confusion and agony, Charles Enifa strangled his wife and son before taking his own life.

Narrating what must have led to this terrible incident, a neighbour who didn't want to be named, said it was a result of jealousy amid accusation of infidelity and a dispute in the paternity of their last son (name withheld).

According to the neighbour,

Charles, 40, from Imo State had been accusing his wife, Faith, 35, of sleeping around with other men in the area and that their last son was not his.

"We have separated them severally in the past because he was always fighting her, accusing her of infidelity and sleeping around. The last time they fought, he said their last born, the boy, was not his child and Faith should show him the father of the child or else 'blood would flow'. We just took it that he was angry and did not really mean what he said literally.

"To be honest, we had gotten tired of delving into their matter. So, in the early hours

of yesterday morning when we heard loud sounds coming from their room, we didn't get involved. After a few minutes, we didn't hear anything so we thought they have settled their issues until later in the morning when we heard their two older children shouting for help," the source said.

The two older children, Success, 12, and Favour, 10, discovered the lifeless bodies of their parents and younger brother when they woke up and were the ones that raised alarm. The children who were crying uncontrollably said they slept throughout the commotion and the neighbour

said it was possible they were drugged before their father committed the heinous act.

Charles, who was a commercial motorcyclist before murdering his family and killing himself, was well known to be very jealous and was constantly accusing his wife of sleeping around. One of the police officers at the scene who pleaded anonymity said they were going to carry out further investigations but preliminary investigations carried out at the scene showed that Faith was strangled with a rope and stabbed severally to death while the young boy on the couch was strangled with his hands.