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Vehicle Rams Into Shop, Kills Three, Injures Others In Imo

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TRAGEDY occurred, Thursday night, when a Lexus Sports Utility Vehicle (SUV), on top speed veered off the road and rammed into a shop located in Egbu, on Owerri - Umuahia Road, Owerri North Local Council, Imo State. Three persons, who were buying some items, were killed in the accident.

Also, both the shop owner and some persons within the vicinity were injured. They were rushed to a nearby hospital for medical attention.

According to witness, the driver escaped immediately

after the accident, but the passenger could not run away, prompting the mob to arrest and hand him over to the police.

The witness said: "We were out there, about 7.00p.m., in Egbu, when a Lexus Jeep on a top speed suddenly skidded off the road and rammed into that shop. It killed three persons, who had come to buy some items. Many persons were injured and were taken to a nearby hospital. The owner of the shop was also, injured, and her shop destroyed. The driver escaped, but his passenger was caught and handed over to the police."

*Varsity Alumni Condemn Lynching Of OAU Student Over Alleged Theft

By **Sarah Adebawale**

THE University of Ife Law Class of 1987 Association has condemned the recent mob action that took place at the Hall of Residence, Obafemi Awolowo University (OAU), Ile-Ife, Osun State, which led to the gruesome death of Ahize Okoli, a fifth-year engineering student of the institution.

The association in a statement, yesterday, signed by its President, Caleb Arogundade, described the action as "despicable, lawless disheartening..."

dents of our prestigious university, which we proudly call "Great Ife" could resort to barbaric behaviour in dispensing jungle justice to a fellow student, who was accused of theft. We are well aware that the university authorities have taken the right steps to identify those behind the dastardly act, ensure justice is duly served and put in place a mechanism to eradicate all forms of self-help within the institution.

"The leadership of the university has an overarching duty to protect the lives of its