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Bonny Clashes Claim Four

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Four youths were feared dead when two rival cult groups clashed in Bonny. Though the names of the victims were not disclosed at press time, the clash was said to have lasted several hours.

According to eye witnesses, trouble started when two boys from rival cult groups fought over a

girlfriend who was more disposed to the other group, recently.

Sensing that they had lost the girl, the other group reinforced to snatch her. When the other group headman was severely beaten in the process, sources stated that they went back and reinforced and headed towards Finima where they unleashed terror cutting the victim with machetes and threw him into a nearby swamp.

Sources, who related the incident to Daily Independent, disclosed that the victim was rescued by a good Samaritan but died few days later due to bleeding from deep machete cuts.

When contacted on phone a member of the Bonny Youth Federation confirmed the incident but said, "We are trying to arrest the situation" stressing that the killing would not reoccur as both sides have agreed to sheath

their swords.

Moreover, the police also confirmed the incident and noted that investigation is still ongoing, but pointed out that it was only one person that died in the clash. "As far as we know and to the best of our knowledge it was only one person that died."

Mr. Aliyu Garba, the Divisional Police Officer on the island, said the father of the deceased, who hails from Opobo Town, has since claimed the body.

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