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## Two Siblings Roasted In Fire Outbreak

**By Femi Ogonnikan, Reporter, Lagos**

Two siblings were at the weekend in Lagos sent to early graves when a mysterious fire gutted their residence.

The incident occurred on Saturday at about 7.00 a.m., at House Number 2/3, Itunuolu Street, Egbe, an outskirt of the city.

The inferno reportedly snuffed lives out of David and Afor Obi.

According to a close family member, candle lit when there was power outage, sparked off the inferno, which affected a block of flat in a storey building the Obis were residing.

However, the timely arrival of fire servicemen from Isolo Fire Station and policemen attached to Ikotun Division prevented the fire from spreading into adjoining buildings.

Frank Mba, Lagos State Police Command spokesman, confirmed the incident.

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#### **When Will Clamour For State Creation**

The agitation for creation of more regions and subsequently states in Nigeria is as old as the country itself.

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There is no gainsaying the fact that quality education is indispensable to the social, political, and economic prosperity of any nation.

## Columnist

### Conversation of an Angry man Kidnapping Or Robbery By Other Means

Believe it or not this entire thing about kidnapping for ransom has taken an embarrassing and ridiculous turn. Just the other week, they kidnapped my friend's wife

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The world is in crisis. That fact is indubitable. Whether it is global warming with the dire consequences of rising seas, expanding deserts and disappearing forests or the faltering world economy

### Scruples Yeah, Chinua Achebe Is In Town

It is not for nothing that he is called "The Big Masquerade" and the "Eagle On The Tallest Iroko." Even though he came into the country penultimate Monday

### The Roundtable The Obasanjo-Atiku Ajasco Parley

The Obasanjo-Atiku parley - one that took millions of Nigerians by surprise (an understatement!) on account of the bitter knock-downs and serial tit for tat that signposted their tenure in the Presidency especially between 2003 and 2007 - reminds me so much of the bands of itinerant salesmen that were a familiar sight in the 60s and 70s.

### Speaking Out Lamentations Of Segun Oni

There is a saying that those who live in glass houses do not throw stones because if the pebble is thrown back at them the damage is often monumental.

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