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Police Dismiss Irate Corporal

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An irate mobile policeman, Raymond, alleged to have caused confusion at Oni Memorial Children Hospital, in Ibadan, last week Wednesday, has been dismissed from service. The cop allegedly teargassed some inmates of the hospital.
State Commissioner of Police, Baba Adisa Bolanta, disclosed this in

Ibadan on Monday while briefing newsmen on the activities of the

command in recent times.

Bolanta explained that the Irua, Edo State born police corporal was found guilty of misusing the training given to him to protect both lives

and property.

He said "his action on the day in question was a betrayal of the oath of office he swore to maintain when he was applying for the job".

It would be recalled that the said policeman was alleged to have stormed the hospital on the day in question and went berserk, teargassing two children which landed them in hospital in retaliation for the death of his child brought to the hospital some hours earlier. Bolanta disclosed that Raymond was tried the same day the offence was committed and was found guilty and recommended for dismissal.

He added: "Further action would be taken against him to serve as deterrent to others".

The Oyo police boss, who said he personally visited the hospital twice after the incident, stated that no life was lost as a result of the action of the dismissed policeman.

He noted that the culprit was charged for illegally and maliciously damaging government property said to have cost several thousands of

Commenting, Raymond, a father of eight and husband of two wives, said he had accepted the verdict in good faith, claiming however that he did not do anything as alleged.

The 32-year-old man told *Daily Independent* that he had put in nine years into the service and was convinced that God who provided the police job for him nine years ago, would give him another one with which to rake care of himself and other members of his family.



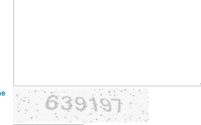
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