

Man, 70, Murders Wife In A'lbom

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Domestic violence was stretched to the limit when a 70 year old man, Ita Daniel Okon from Nsit Ibom Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State stabbed and killed his 60 year old wife, Alice Ita Daniel while she slept.

Briefing newsmen yesterday at the Police Force Headquarters, Ikot Akpan Abia in Uyo, Akwa Ibom State, the Assistant Commissioner of Police, State Criminal Investigation Department, Mike Okoli, said the deceased was sleeping when the septuagenarian husband attacked and hacked her.

In his words "This man, Ita Daniel Okpo in a most wicked act, slaughtered his wife

with a machete and we arrested him. When we interrogated him, he admitted to killing his wife but said the late wife, Alice, always quarrelled with him and that she was the first to carry machete".

When interviewed by newsmen, the suspect admitted to the crime, but said he decided to take laws into his hands after the late wife started sleeping with men of various age, shapes and sizes in his house.


Addressing newsmen in pidgin English, he said: "I regret my act, but I was forced to kill her because it was too much on me. In fact, at a point, she openly told me she would rather kill me than stop sleeping with these men.

"To match words with action, she had been

fighting me several times. So, on that fateful day, while we fought, I killed her", said the 71 year old Ita Daniel Okpo.

Meanwhile, Okoli, while hinting that the suspect will soon appear in court, advised people to always report their cases to the Police and avoid taking laws

He noted that it is wrong to take laws into ones hands, as doing so is a criminal offence with serious consequences. The Police boss also advised Akwa Ibom people in particular and Nigerians to avoid provocation and acting in anger, especially within the family circle, stressing that such acts would not help, even when the person is the offended. "Report to the police and let due process take its natural course".



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