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SARS Officers Allegedly Kill Colleague's Husband In Ondo

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One Seun Ayoade has been feared killed by operatives of the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) led by one Inspector Oladele Ojelabi in Akure, Ondo State.

Ayoade was arrested by the Ojelabi-led team on Tuesday October 17, 2017 at Oke-Aro in Akure and he allegedly died in mysterious circumstances while at SARS custody and his corpse was deposited at the State Specialist Hospital, Akure.

But, members of his family have appealed to the police and the state

government to bring the culprits to book.

Wife of the deceased, Gbemisola Okoro, who is also a police officer, said her husband and Ojelabi were mutual friends, adding that despite that, the latter always made constant love advances to her.

Okoro, who was working at Fanibi police station, Akure, before she was transferred to Osogbo, Osun State, said all efforts made to discourage the suspect fell on deaf ears.

"But I used to tell him that I could not have a relationship with him because I was married to his friend and with children."

She said her husband

and some others were later arrested for armed robbery and detained in the SARS cell in Akure where he died mysteriously.

The family of the deceased urged the state government and Commissioner for Police, Olugbenga Adeyanju, to wade into the matter and ensure that the culprits are brought to book.

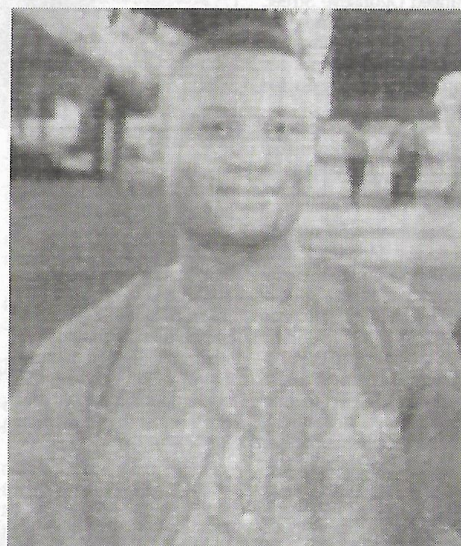
A human rights activist, Adewumi Owolabi, said the officers accused the deceased and his friends of armed robbery, noting that the statement which the SARS officers attached to the deceased record at the mortuary stated that he was killed with bullets wounds all

over his body.

"But there was no bullet wound at all on his body, not even a scratch. We even investigated at Oshinle and Oke-Aro, the residents said there was no armed robbery incident in the areas for a very long time," he said.

Femi Joseph, police spokesman in the state confirmed the incident and said that the commissioner had ordered a thorough investigation into the matter.

Joseph, however, said it was a mere allegation against the security personnel, assuring that if the SARS officers were found guilty, they would be dealt with accordingly.



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