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Evwreni Killing: Police Recover Gun From Monarch, Allegedly Hang It On Victim

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UGHELLI – Policemen from A-Division, Ughelli, Delta State, have recovered a locally made gun from a monarch (names withheld) in the troubled Evwreni Kingdom, a few hours after the younger brother of immediate past Executive Director, Projects of the Niger Delta Development Commission (NDDC), Engr. Sam Adjogbe, was shot and killed.

Three days after the gruesome murder of the 34-year-old Sylvester Adjogbe at his family compound in Evwreni, the police, like two previous killings in the community, have not made any arrest, while those accused of having a hand in the dastardly act are walking freely in the community.

It would be recalled that trouble started at Evwreni on Wednesday afternoon after a failed attempt by the police to arrest one suspect fingered in the June 20 attempted assassination of Engr. Samuel Adjogbe along the East/West road close to the community.

It was gathered that some youths from the community who were allegedly mobilised by a monarch prevented police officers from State Criminal Investigation Department, Asaba, led by one John Agbajie, from arresting the suspect, one Atiri Stephen following Adjogbe's petition.

The monarch had allegedly ordered the local vigilante men and some of his loyalists to attack any relatives of Engr. Samuel Adjogbe after the police had been stopped from arresting the suspect, an incident that led to the death of Sylvester Adjogbe who was killed at his father's house.

However, in a twist, the police stated in their report obtained by our correspondent that the locally made gun was handed over to them by the community king, HRM Oghenekevwe Kumane who alleged that the gun was recovered from Omamuyovwi Akpuruekpo, one of those injured in the attack and currently receiving treatment at an undisclosed hospital at Ughelli.

In the police incident report dated July 1, 2020, it stated that men from SCID Asaba led by ASP John Agbajie arrived Evwreni community on investigation and the team was assisted by a patrol team from A-Division, Ughelli, but on arrival at the community, "the team could

not locate their suspect, however, they were confronted by a protest on their way out of the community.



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