

1 Killed As Cult Group Unleashes Mayhem In Lagos

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At least one person was confirmed dead yesterday when a notorious and highly dreaded cult group known as 'O Strong' unleashed mayhem on residents of Agarawu area in the Lagos Island.

LEADERSHIP gathered that the middle-aged man identified as Yakubu David was murdered in cold blood by the group when they struck in the area, leaving many of the residents seriously wounded.

Our correspondent further learnt that several other people were seriously injured and properties worth millions of naira lost during a reprisal attack by

the colleagues of the deceased from Obadina area of Lagos.

Residents who spoke with newsmen on condition of anonymity said the trouble started three weeks ago at a social gathering on the Island when the group was queried over its activities by residents and the group threatened to make life miserable for them.

The residents said the notorious boys operating with the name 'O Strong' who are under the ages of between 13 and 17 years vowed to eliminate one Erebe for daring them at the party and later went to attack him at Oju-ina, but mistakenly stabbed his friend in the stomach.

"This threat irked the O strong

boys and they followed David popularly known as Ologbo from their house at Ajishomo street to Oshodi bus stop where he had an apartment with his wife and children and machete him to death," a resident said.

They said the arrival of the police from Area 'A' command and the State Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS), Ikeja saved the situation from deteriorating to a more serious clash with high casualties.

It would be recalled that about 10 of these notorious 'O Strong' boys and six of another youth gang called 'Get Ready' who were also of the ages of between 12 and 18 years caused mayhem on the Island during last two Ramadan fasting.

