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Trailer Crushes Soldier To Death In Ibadan

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A trailer-driver who ran over a soldier on Wednesday, killing him, has been arraigned in court for murder.

The driver was arraigned at the Chief Magistrate's Court 1, Iyaganku, Ibadan on Thursday.

The Chief Magistrate, Alhaja F.A Badrudeen, granted the accused bail in the sum of N100,000 and two sureties in like sum.

She adjourned the case till March 12, 2014, for hearing.

The accident was said to have occurred at about 2pm, at the Polo Club Junction, in Eleyele area of the city.

According to an eye witnesses, the soldier, who was on a motorcycle, was about crossing the road to his barracks when the on-coming trailer, loaded with several bags of cement, lost its brakes and ran him over.

There was, however, a conflicting account on the number of casualties.

While some claimed that there were two soldiers, another source said only one soldier died in the accident.

The truck was said to have been moved to the barracks.

In a similar accident some time back, about five persons were involved, including an ex-student of the Federal Cooperative College, Ibadan, who died on the spot.

When contacted, the police public relations officer of the command, DSP Olabisi Clet-Ilobanafor, confirmed the occurrence of the accident, but said she was yet to ascertain the number of casualties.

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