

...ing their last post where he
was eating and others followed,
houting *ole, ole, ole* (the Yoruba
word for thief).

Chuks said almost
immediately, they heard a
gunshot.

"I ran to the scene together

The witness said those who
had been pursuing the suspect
told the crowd that gathered
that the suspect was seen in
possession of a GSM phone
belonging to a robbery victim,
who was killed and his car and

out to dent the image of the
corps.

"Accidental discharge does
not exist in our dictionary, talk
more of deliberately shooting
a suspect for whatever reason
he retorted.

Driver In Court For Dangerous Driving, Killing Traffic Officer

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A 28-year-old driver, Amadu Omaye, on Tuesday appeared in a Chief Magistrates' Court in Wuse Zone 2, Abuja, for dangerous driving and killing a traffic officer on duty.

The prosecutor, Cpl. Paul Anigbo, told the court that on May 9, at about 9:30am, Omaye drove his car recklessly on the Umaru Musa Yar'Adua way by the Lugbe police sign post, Abuja.

He alleged that the accused had driven recklessly and knocked down Mr Ogunyemi Philip, an officer with the Directorate of Road Traffic Service, VIO, Kuje, Abuja.

According to Anigbo, the accused knocked down the officer while he was on duty and trying to apprehend a motorcyclist who violated traffic rules.

He told the court that the victim sustained injuries and

later died at the National Hospital, Abuja.

Anigbo said the accused who was driving a Nissan Almera car with registration number LKJ 494 AE was standing trial for causing death by dangerous driving which contravened the Road Traffic Act.

The accused however pleaded not guilty to the charges.

The judge, Mr Usman Shaibu, granted the accused bail in the sum of N1 million with a reliable surety who must reside within the court's jurisdiction and also be a civil servant not below GL 10 in the Federal Civil Service.

Shaibu adjourned the case until June 16 for hearing.

In a related development, the police yesterday arraigned a 34-year-old man, Monday Ikpe, at a Grade 1 Area Court in Gudu, Abuja for alleged dangerous driving. The prosecutor,

ASP Ambi Gambo, told the court that the accused drove his car dangerously along the Ahmadu Bello Expressway by Access Bank in Garki.

He said Ikpe allegedly drove a Honda Accord car with Registration number AZ 964 KUT on May 15 at about 6 pm and "he crashed into a Mercedes Benz car with registration number BM 682 DKA, and it cost the owner of the Mercedes Benz, Joshua Yakubu, the sum of N2,787,750 to effect the repairs of the damage to the car," Gambo said.

The prosecutor said the offence contravened the provisions of Section 28 of the Road Traffic Act.

Ikpe, however, pleaded not guilty to the charge and the presiding judge, Mr Umar Kagarko, granted him bail in the sum of N100,000 with one surety in like sum.

Kagarko adjourned the case to June 3 for hearing.