

UNIABUJA Students Barricade International Airport Highway To Protest Death Of Colleague

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Students of the University of Abuja, yesterday took to the streets in protest of the death of their colleague, Miss Simi Bisi, a 200 level student of the Department of History and Diplomatic Students.

They barricaded the highway leading to the Nnamdi Azikiwe International Airport, Abuja.

The late Bisi was knocked down by a moving vehicle while attempting to escape from the hands of hoodlums that had accosted her

shortly after alighting from a commercial vehicle to Abuja City centre.

The protest, which was led by the President, Students Union Government (SUG) University of Abuja, Abdullazeez Ajiboye, as early as 7:00am, disrupted the free flow of traffic on the highway as they carried placards with different inscriptions to demand improvement in infrastructural provisions in the school.

The students, who blamed the death of their colleague on the inability of the management of

the institution to provide security for them, warned that they would not continue to lose the precious lives of their fellow students on the account of insecurity in the school.

They insisted that the management of the university must overhaul the security system in the school in order to secure the lives and properties of the students.

They called on the management of the institution to put speed breakers, street lights, and Police post in the school and also

rehabilitate students' hostels.

The angry students also called for the immediate sack of the Chief Security Officer of the school who they accused of incompetence.

The students said that Sunday night accident was the seventh one, adding that the sudden death of their colleagues was no longer acceptable to them.

They called on the Vice Chancellor of the institution, Prof. Michael Adikwu and management to take concrete action to secure the lives of the students.