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No fewer than two persons are feared dead in renewed cult clashes that took place yesterday in Uyo, the Akwa Ibom State capital. Among those killed was a 35-year-old man identified as Emeka, who was gunned down in Ibom Plaza, situated in the heart of Uyo. Emeka, who was said to be a mobile phone seller opposite First Bank, was gunned down at about 2.00 pm while attending to some of his customers at Ibom Plaza.

The incident, which created fear among residents of the city, also paralysed activities at most relaxation spots in the area.

Sources said that a young man armed with a locally made pistol appeared suddenly and walked up to the victim, shooting him in the chest at point blank range.

Our correspondent who visited the scene of the incident gathered that the

timely arrival of armed policemen salvaged the situation as people took to their heels for fear of being arrested.

It was also gathered that a member of the same cult group was on Tuesday shot dead by another member in a shoot-out that lasted over 30 minutes along Oron road.

Uyo remains a safe haven for cultists despite countless promises by police to rid the state of cultists.

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