

Four-year old baby beheaded

• Suspect arrested

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FOR allegedly beheading a four-year old girl, police in Ogun State have arrested a suspect Owolabi Jimoh.

The girl, Timilehin Abiona was killed for ritual purposes at Idofoyi quarters in Ayetoro, Yewa South Local Government.

The Police Commissioner, Mr. Joseph Apapa told reporters yesterday at the Eleweran Command that Jimoh in company of one Hakeem Ogunleye committed the crime last Wednesday.

Ogunleye, the police boss said was missing after the sad incident, as he was the one who allegedly told Jimoh to bring money for ritual purposes.

After the police boss paraded him, the suspect denied involvement in the ritual killing, saying he

was innocent of the allegation.

Jimoh, who was paraded with the girl's head, later confessed to the crime, even as he claimed that he and Hakeem killed the girl.

According to him, Hakeem told him if he could get a human head for ritual with a Babalawo (juju priest), they would become millionaire.

He said that the girl who was his neighbour's daughter was lured by him when he sent her to buy bread. She was later invited to his house.

His confession: "She was playing with her colleagues when Hakeem gave was her money to buy bread at 2 pm yesterday (Wednesday). She came

back with the bread. Her colleagues accompanied her to the bread seller," Jimoh said.

He added, "I strangled her, Hakeem held her hands and legs. After killing her, we put the body into a sack and called an unsuspecting commercial motorcyclist that took us to Odorori, at the outskirts of Ayetoro."

"At Odorori, I held the legs and hands of the girl, while Hakeem cut the head. We were taking the head to the herbalist when we were arrested."

Ogunleye stated that he did not ask Hakeem and Jimoh to bring a human head.

He said: "I am innocent. I knew nothing about the crime committed by Jimoh and Hakeem. All confessions by Jimoh are false. I am sure that God will set me free from this problem."