

Seven killed in cult clash

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SEVEN students have been killed in a clash involving two cult groups in Nnamdi Azikiwe University (NAU), Awka, Anambra State.

Though Police Spokesman Fidelis Agbo, a Superintendent of Police, said yesterday that only six bodies were evacuated, the Dean, Students Affairs of the university, Prof. Emeka Ezeonu, said the number has risen to seven.

The two cult groups-Vikings and Black Axe- clashed in three locations in Awka as a result of an alleged attack on a Vikings Leader by the other group.

They clashed at High Tension (Ifite), Ring Road and Okpuno hostels of the students.

One of the alleged cultists was overheard yesterday phoning some of his group's members to vacate their lodge as, according to him, the police were on the trail. He made the call from a popular restaurant where he was hanging out.

Agbo said investigations were on to unravel what led to the clash, adding that the police would ensure such an incident does not recur.