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A Man was killed yesterday at Haruna in Ikorodu, a Lagos suburb, by a hit-and-run driver.

The incident occurred around 9am when policemen attached to Owutu Police Division, who were on patrol, attempted to impound a commercial bus and arrest its driver.

It was gathered that the policemen chased the driver, who allegedly committed a traffic offence, from Agric bus stop towards Ikorodu town.

Sources said the driver, who was driving recklessly, knocked down a man who was waiting for a bus by the roadside.

The victim, simply identified as Baba Peace, died on the spot.

His wife, who earlier escorted him to the junction, kept on crying out for help. She was later taken to her house by sympathisers.

When the accident occurred, the policemen immediately turned back to avoid a mob action.

The police patrol vehicle veered off the road and raced into Wahab Avenue, before heading for Marwa Estate.

Youths and commercial motorcyclists went after them and the policemen started shooting into the air to scare them away.

They went into a compound in the estate, where they packed their vehicle.

They told the owner of the house that some robbers were after them and the man phoned the Divisional Police Officer in charge of Owutu Police Station, who immediately ordered reinforcement.

However, before the reinforcement arrived, one of the policemen changed into mufti and went out of the gate, but he was identified by someone in the angry mob that was waiting outside the gate.

He was held there until reinforcement arrived and set rescued him.

The body of the deceased was later taken away by policemen from Owutu Police Division and men of the Lagos State Traffic Management Authority (LASTMA).

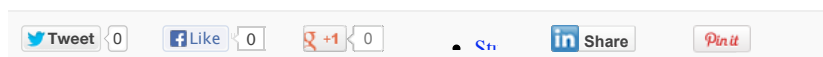
Also yesterday, a bus driver fleeing from LASTMA officials, who wanted to arrest him for driving on the BRT lane, knocked down two pedestrians at Ketu bus stop, Lagos.

The bus driver escaped.

The incident occurred around 2pm.

The injured, a male and a female, were taken to a nearby hospital.

Attempts to speak with deputy police spokesman Damasus Ozoanifailed, as several calls to his cell phone were not answered.



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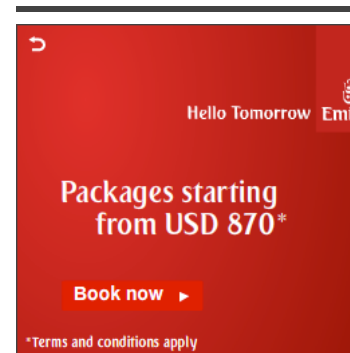
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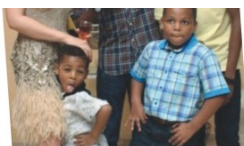
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