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Posted by: Jude Isiguzo in News 13 hours ago

AN unidentified policeman has allegedly killed a man, Bello Adamson, in Aka, Iba Local Council Development Area (LCDA) of Lagos State.

Bello, a popular electrician in the area, was allegedly shot dead by a policeman attached to the South Bound Hotel.

The incident occurred around 9pm on Sunday at the hotel located at No 5, Elias Lane.

It was learnt that the late Adamson was sitting in front of a provision store located less than 10 metres from the hotel, when he was hit by the bullet.

His body has been deposited at the Morgue at the General Hospital, Badagry.

The policeman escaped.

Youths and street urchins went on rampage after the shooting, vandalising the property of the hotel, which opened a month ago.

Some of them were arrested and are being detained at the Okokomaiko Police Station.

Residents are yet to come to terms with the fact that Adamson, who they popularly called Baba Fasilat, is dead.

A resident, Mr. Adedayo Fatai, said: "Baba Fasilat was shot dead by apoliceman attached to the hotel. I was standing a few metres away him and when we heard the gun shot, everyone scamped for safety. When we returned to the scene, I saw him on the floor in a pool of blood."

Another resident, Buchi Okechukwu, said: "Around 8:30pm, some youths tried to gain entrance into the hotel, but the policemen at the gate told them the dance hall was filled to capacity.

"The youths insisted on going in and an argument ensued. The policemen began to shoot into the air to scare the youths away, but one of their bullets hit Adamson, who was not involved in the argument."

The deceased's son, Afeez, said: "He baded us goodbye when he came to check on me where I had gone for my Disc Jockey business. A few minutes later, I received a call from my sister that policemen attached to the hotel had shot my father in the neck."

All efforts to speak with police spokesperson Ngozi Braide failed.

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