Policeman 'kills' driver over N500

A MOBILE policeman attached to the 18 Squadron of the Police Mobile Force, yesterday in Owerri, Imo State, allegedly shot dead a trailer driver, Makachi Ibrahim, for refusing to pay N500 at a check point.

From Okodili Ndidi, Owerri

A witness, Dan Sabo, said the policeman shot the victim, who was carrying goats from Kano to Port Harcourt, three times, killing him and injuring three people. The source, who spoke to The Nation amid tears, said the deceased was stopped by policemen at the checkpoint, who demanded N500, but he begged them to collect N200.

He said instead of listening, one of them shot him at a close range and killed him. Police spokesperson Joy Elemoko confirmed the incident.

She said the policeman would be dismissed if found guilty and prosecuted.

She, however, said it was the conductor, who was killed and not the driver.