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The Ebonyi State police command yesterday confirmed the murder of a Labour Party supporter from Umunaga ward in Ohaozara Local Government Area of the state, Mr Ifeanyi Onu.

The command's spokesman, Mr Chris Anyanwu, told The Nation that the matter has been transferred from the Divisional Police Office in Ohaozara to the command's headquarters in Abakaliki.

"The command's homicide department is currently handling the matter, as we would make more information on the matter known to the public as soon as we get them."

Meanwhile, the Ohaozara LGA Caretaker Chairman, Chief Chaka Nweze, said the victim was killed by suspected thugs of the Peoples Democratic Party (PDP) for refusing to join the party.

"He was abducted by 10pm and after dragging him several kilometers from his home, they matcheted him for refusing to join their party."

He noted that when the killers saw his friend and relations coming towards them in order to rescue him, they shot him at close range.

"His friend identified the five people involved in his killing."

He said that he has reported the matter to the Mobile police commander in the area, noting that some of the suspects have been arrested.

The Labour Party Liaison Officer in the area, Mr Christoher Njoku, who was among those who tried to rescue the victim, noted that they identified all those that killed Onu.

It will be recalled that political violence in the state has claimed the lives of several people.

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