

where any of them denied the mindless and unbridled corruption which governed Jonathan's tenure; we stand to be corrected.

"The latest in the defence of

"I believe it is time for Nigeria to change course. That is why I sought for election. As President, I am determined that Nigeria must move away from the course

to gain more from President Buhari's administration than we gained from our support to former President Jonathan.

"It is our view that Ndigbo, as all groups in the coun-

"In the context submitted above, it is time to think out of the box and reason that Ndigbo's support for President Muhammadu Buhari is a win-win game for all."

2 Man rapes widow to death in Ebonyi

A 34-YEAR-old widow and mother of four, Mrs. Ogodo Egede, has been raped to death by a 40-year-old, Alex Nwabu, in Egwudunagu, Amachi community in Abakaliki Local Government Area of Ebonyi State

Nwabu, who had been having carnal knowledge of the widow before now, was said to have threatened to kill her if she told anyone.

Mrs. Egede's body was covered with bruises.

A family source said when the suspect continued the act,

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Abakaliki

Mrs. Egede's daughter, a 13-year-old, was forced to leave the house for threatening to expose Nwabu.

"The girl ran to her grandparents in the night because Nwabu threatened to kill her. She came to greet her mother in the morning but met her dead body. She consequently informed her grand-father."

The youth declared a search party for Nwabu and found him in his father's compound. He admitted to committing

the crime.

Nwabu said: "Mrs. Egodo owed me N1, 500 which she refused to pay. I actually asked her for sex and she refused. I later forced her but I didn't know she will die because I didn't intend to kill her."

"She struggled with me and I got angry and beat her up. I had sex with her for several hours."

Egede's father, Chief Ogbonna Ogayi, said his granddaughter ran to him in the night and reported that Nwabu came to their house to harass their mother with a cutlass.

"I had told my daughter to come to my house so that she can be properly cared for but she refused. She said she wouldn't want her late husband's lineage to go into extinction because he had no immediate brother and relations," Ogayi said.

The body has been deposited at the Federal Teaching Hospital Abakaliki (FETHA) mortuary. Nwabu has been detained at the Central Police Station in Abakaliki.

Police spokesman Chris Anyanwu could not be reached for comments.