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Man in custody for alleged murder

From Osagie Otabor, Benin

A 34-YEAR-OLD man, Fabian Enogieru, has been remanded in prison custody by an Eboriaria Magistrate's Court for allegedly killing Pallen Enogieru.

Fabian was accused of hitting Pallen with a piece of wood on the head.

Police prosecutor Aigbedion Obarkpor, an Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), told the court that the accused committed the offence on October 8, at 1, Amayo Street, Off Upper Sakponba, in Benin, the Edo State capital.

The plea of the accused was not taken on the one count of murder.

Mrs N. P. Edogun, the magistrate, said the court lacked jurisdiction to entertain the matter.

She ordered the case file to be sent to the Department of Public Prosecution (DPP) for legal advice.

The magistrate adjourned the matter till December 22 for mentioning.

The offence is punishable under Section 319 (1) of the Criminal Code, Cap. 48.

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