

NNPC, COAS, DSS get petition on murdered security guard

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The Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation (NNPC), the Chief of Army Staff and the Director-General of the State Security Service (SSS) and have been petitioned over the killing of a security guard, in Ogun State on Wednesday.

A pipeline surveillance outfit, King Young Lion Security, in the petition signed by its Media Director, Mr. Abdul-Kabir Akinpelu, and made available to journalists in Ibadan, the Oyo State capital on Friday, accused some men in military uniform of being responsible for the death of the security guard, Mr. Adura Omoboye

According to the petition, Omoboye who was a part of the surveillance team assigned to keep watch over the petroleum pipeline at Idi-Mangoro Tent, Sagamu, was gruesomely murdered at about 9 am on that day.

Calling on the relevant agencies to ensure that the culprits are brought to book to forestall a reoccurrence, Akinpelu described the killing of the deceased as unfortunate and uncalled for.

He said: "The men who were dressed in military uniform and came in a Mitsubishi L300 pick up truck with registration number NA 003 ostensibly came to steal fuel from the pipeline as they bore several empty jerry-cans in their vehicle."

He stated further that the efforts made by the surveillance team to intercept the vandals led to the engagement of the team and this resulted in the death of Omoboye.

Akinpelu said while all the uniformed men escaped in the confrontation, the team was able to recover items like the Mitsubishi L300 pick up van, three jungle hats, a magazine and a mobile telephone.

He said: "At this juncture, we call upon the army authority, the directorate of state security service, the Nigerian National Petroleum Corporation as well as all other relevant government agencies to probe this matter to forestall the likelihood of a reoccurrence, since the vandalization of this vital facility has clearly become second nature to some unpatriotic men of the armed and paramilitary forces."