

Seven remanded for beheading okada rider

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AN Ado-Ekiti Chief Magistrate's Court on Thursday remanded seven suspects for allegedly cutting off the head of a commercial motorcyclist (okada rider), Sola Adeniyi for money ritual

The accused persons are: Tijani Arowolo (80); John Ojo (77); Peter Ajayi (77); Olu Oniyelu (67); Folorunso Oluwatoba (69); Peter Ajayi (73) and Olaide Dolamu (28).

Police prosecutor, Sergeant Bankole Olasunkanmi, told the court that the accused allegedly committed the offence on February 7 at Orisunmibare settlement in Oye Local Government Area.

Apart from decapitating the okada rider, prosecutor also told the court that the accused are standing trial for conspiracy and attempted murder of one Ojo Olaoluwa who escaped being killed by them.

According to him, the accused persons committed an offence punishable under section 324, 320 and 319 of the Criminal Code Cap C16 Laws of Ekiti State 2012.

The prosecutor applied for a date of adjournment to enable him duplicate the case file and sent to Director of Public Prosecutions (DPP) for legal advice.

The plea of the accused persons was not taken.

Counsels to the defendants, Emmanuel Adetifa, Tosin Osundahunsi and Olatunde Olayemi, applied for a date of adjournment pending a legal advice from DPP's office.

The Chief Magistrate, Idowu Ayenimo, ordered that the accused persons should be remanded in prison custody till the outcome of the advice from DPP office.

He adjourned the case to June 2 for mention.