

# Police recommend dismissal, prosecution of Enugu killer inspector

**T**HE police authorities in the Zone 13, Ukpo-Dunukofia, Anambra State have recommended the dismissal of a police officer, Inspector Edem Ebong, for allegedly killing five persons.

The victims were reportedly shot dead by Ebong while he was attached to RC Lotto Company, at Golf Estate, GRA, Enugu, on June 20.

The attack also left four others with life-threatening injuries at the Golf Estate.

Ebong subsequently claimed that the shooting was perpetrated by unknown gunmen before one of the survivors reported him as the attacker.

After months of investigation into the matter, the Assistant Inspector-General of Police in charge of Zone 13, Ukpo-Dunukofia Anambra State, AIG Muri Umar Musa, approved Ebong's dismissal from the police and his subsequent prosecution.

A statement issued by the spokesman of the Enugu State police command, Daniel Ndukwe, disclosed that Ebong's dismissal was sequel to the command's "conclusion of the disciplinary trial and a thorough investigation launched



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into the case of alleged shooting and killing of five persons, as well as the injury of four others for no justifiable reasons, by the Police Inspector, at Golf Estate Enugu, on 20/06/2021."

The statement read, "The Enugu State Police Command wishes to inform the

general public that the Assistant Inspector-General of Police in-charge of Zone 13, Ukpo-Dunukofia Anambra State, \*AIG Muri Umar Musa, LLB, BL\*, has approved the recommended punishment of dismissal from the Nigeria Police Force and prosecution of Inspector Edem Ebong hitherto attached to the Special Protection Unit (SPU) Base 9 Umuahia, for the offense of murder".

To this end, the statement added that the state commissioner of police, Abubakar Lawal, appreciated the general public, particularly residents of the state, for the level of patience and understanding shown while the disciplinary trial and investigation into the case lasted.

The CP reiterated commitment to always deal decisively with police officers found culpable in disciplinary offenses against extant codes of conduct, rules of engagement, and standard operating procedures of the NPF.

The police, therefore, called on residents of the state to remain law-abiding, and promptly report erring policemen to the nearest station, or by calling the command's hotlines.