

Two killed, policeman injured in resumed boundary dispute



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Resumed boundary disputes between Abaomege and Isinkwo communities of Onicha local government area, [Ebonyi State](#), have left two people dead and a policeman severely injured.

Although details of the incident were sketchy at the time of this report, it was learnt that crisis broke in the area around 7am yesterday.

Police spokesperson, Onome Onovwakpoyeya, confirmed the incident in a terse statement, adding that the injured cop was responding to treatment.

She said: “Three persons including a police officer who was returning home after the close of work, were shot at the Abaomege- Oshinkwo Communal crises area by Oshinkwo Warriors.

“The victims were rushed to the hospital. Two of the victims were confirmed dead but the policeman is responding to treatment

“Intensive manhunt is on for the fleeing suspects. This happened at about 7am, June 6.”

It could not be ascertained which of the communities launched the attack.

A viral message on social media had advised people to avoid the area.

“Avoid Abaomege-Ishinkwo axes today (yesterday) being June 6. Three people from Ukawu and one happens to be my uncle’s wife were shut dead earlier this morning on their way to Abakaliki.

“Ishinkwo and Abaomege crisis has done more harm than good to my people and my family in particular”, said the message credited to one Nweke Nwali who hails from the area.

The decades long crisis had led to many deaths and destruction of properties worth millions.

Despite the state government’s take over of the disputed land, the crisis has continued.