

Police confirm murder, mutilation of undergraduate at lover's apartment

② **T**HE Lagos Police Command has confirmed the murder of 21-year-old undergraduate, Augusta Osedion Onuwabuagbe, and removal of her genitals inside her lover's Ajah apartment.

Also confirmed was the retrieval of a suspected confessional note allegedly left behind by the 26-year-old loverboy, Benjamin alias Killaboi, currently on the run.

It was gathered that detectives from Ajah Police Station had forced open the door to the apartment located at Oral Estate, Ikota, Ajah, after Augusta's mother reported her inability to reach her daughter.

It was learnt that the woman had received a call from her daughter, a student at Lead University, Ibadan, Oyo State, on July 11, that she had a quarrel with her lover and would be going to his place for them to resolve the issue.

The woman, sources said, reported that she made efforts to reconcile them but was not able to reach either of them on their phones and had to locate Augusta's roommate, who took her to Benjamin's residence in Ajah on Saturday, July 15.

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On arrival at the residence, it was learnt that the women saw her daughter's Mercedes Benz C30 outside of Benjamin's house and they knocked several times on the door but got no response.

They were said to have gone to the estate's security post to complain but were asked to go to the Police Station so that the police would come and open the door.

Augusta's mother, it was gathered, went to the police station and filed a complaint which prompted the Divisional Police Officer, DPO, to lead detectives to the apartment and forced open the door.

"As soon as the door was opened by the police, the body of the girl was discovered in a pool of her blood with her private part chopped off. The body was fast decomposing and was quickly recovered," said a police source.

Confirming the incident, spokesman, SP Benjamin Hundeyin, said marks of violence and signs of struggle were obvious on the body, adding that the place was cordoned for forensic experts to carry out their investigations.

He confirmed that a note was

recovered from the scene, adding that efforts were on to apprehend the suspect.

Meanwhile, Benjamin, it was gathered, took to his Instagram page to confess to have stabbed Augusta by mistake during an argument, adding that he fled the scene out of fear.

In series of incoherent posts shared on his Instastory, the suspect denied allegations he used his lover for ritual, insisting she was the love of his life and they had been together for two years.

He said those painting the ritual narrative were manipulating the situation, urging those abusing his late lover to stop because she did nothing wrong. According to him, the problem in their relationship was toxicity, adding that they had an issue on July 11 and had agreed to meet the next day to talk it over but things got worse.

He claimed he had been having suicidal thoughts since then and was ready to die, turn himself in to give her family closure.

He wrote: "I got into an argument with my girlfriend which (led to a) fight and I mistakenly stabbed her and ran away out of fear and been suicidal since then.

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