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## Ex-Abia lawmaker demands justice for constituent killed by trigger-happy policeman



The immediate past Minority Leader of the **Abia State** House of Assembly, Hon. Chijioke Chukwu has called for the immediate arrest and prosecution of a happy-trigger policeman that allegedly killed a constituent.

The death of 35-year-old, Mr. Anyim Elijah Obinna and two others, The Nation learnt has thrown the people of Ugwueke in Bende local government area of the state into mourning.

The incident our correspondent gathered has sparked widespread condemnation from notable indigenes of the area including the former Minority Leader of the Abia State House of Assembly, who joined the call for the immediate arrest and prosecution of the officer responsible for the crime by the leadership of the Abia State Command of the Nigeria Police Force (NPF).

The father of the deceased, Mr. Paul Anyim who narrated the incident claimed that the son's killer fled after also shooting the son's friend and another person who threatened to expose him.

The distraught father who disclosed that he has been seeking justice for his son since May when the incident happened said "we went home for Easter holidays and my son came back on Saturday at about half past two in the afternoon, same day that we arrived at the village.

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"So on Sunday, exactly quarter after six, he left my house with his younger brother after dinner for a birthday party of one of their friends at a hotel in Ugwueke.

"After about 10 minutes past 10pm, I heard a voice that the General's son had been shot down. Then I turned, and my wife asked me to sit down. So I said, no, am I the General?

"I asked the people and they said my son has been shot down. They didn't allow me to come out from the room. Later at last, we find out that the young man is dead.

"Since two of them were out, I didn't actually know the particular one that they shot. Then a friend, one Samuel Anyim, came to my house and told me that George Anyim is alive and that my first son, Elijah Anyim, was shot.

"That was how I came to know the story. Then around half past one, my younger brother, Dr. Chukwu Agu, a lecturer in UNN, came and picked me up. Then reaching there, I found out that he was already dead.