

Soldier kills colleague ...at road block

TRAGEDY struck in Yenagoa, during the week when a soldier "accidentally" killed his colleague at a military roadblock along Swalli suburb.

An eyewitness said that the incident occurred when soldiers at the Swalli roundabout tried to stop a fleeing bus driver who was being chased by policemen.

The witness explained that the police chased the bus with registration number, Bayelsa XB 980 YEN, because its driver refused to stop for a routine check along the Swalli-Market roundabout.

"The driver was running away from the police. On getting to the military roadblock, the soldiers decided to stop the driver, but as one of them corked his gun, a bullet went off and hit one of his colleagues which killed him instantly", the eyewitness said.

Another eyewitness who pleaded anonymity, explained that even after the incident, the bus driver kept moving until the bus finally hit a ditch and fell over.

"He jumped out of the bus and started running towards

the site of the new General Hospital building opposite the roundabout, before he was finally apprehended by the angry soldiers and policemen," the witness added.

The corpse of the soldier had been taken to the mortuary, while the driver of the bus was whisked away by the police.

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says we should fight for justice. colleagues of the deceased on the spot was rebuffed but the police PRO, DSP Ibokette Iniobong, who confirmed the incident said he had no details of the incident.



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