

40-YEAR-OLD TO DIE FOR STABBING LOVER

A BENIN High Court yesterday sentenced a 40-year-old man, Anthony Omoruyi, to death by hanging for murdering his lover.

Omoruyi stabbed Mrs Helen Aganmwonyi to death on Sept. 6, 2006 when she visited him at his No. 1, Enobakhare Street

residence in Benin City.

Justice Esohe Ikponmwede, who handed down the sentence, said the prosecution has proved the case of murder

preferred against the accused.

The judge ruled that from the circumstantial evidence and confessional statement from the accused, the case of

murder preferred against him had been proved.

The judge also held that though the accused later denied his confessional statement to the police, she find it "flowing and coherent".

The accused in the confessional statement recalled the love affair between him and the deceased.

Omoruyi said he had asked the deceased to stop coming to his house because since he got

married, he had not been able to put his wife in a family way.

The deceased responded that if he did not continue to make love to her, he would not be able to have a child from his wife.

He subsequently grew annoyed and stabbed the deceased in the neck.

The judge said that if the narration was true, the attack on the women could not be justified and that provocation could not be an excuse for such an action, as there were more than one stab wounds on her neck.

NSCDC advises victims of rape to report cases

THE Nigeria Security and Civil Defence Corps (NSCDC), Kaduna Command, yesterday advised victims of rape to

Kaduna that victims of rape are defenseless and that the NSCDC is structured to defend them.

"We get them arrested and hand them over to the appropriate authority for discipline," he said.