

One killed as traders protest at Ladipo market

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VIOLENT crisis at the Ladipo auto spare parts market resumed on Wednesday as a trader at the market, simply identified as Sunday, was stabbed to death as traders protested against the executives of the market.

The deceased trader had reportedly followed some aggrieved traders to the executive union's office to protest, when violence erupted, leading to him be-

ing stabbed severally.

Nigerian Tribune gathered that the trader was rushed to a nearby hospital where he gave up the ghost after losing so much blood as his colleagues reportedly initially abandoned him to continue with the protest.

It was gathered that trouble started some days back when some traders organised themselves and began to mobilise other members to resist the leadership of

the market.

The aggrieved traders had reportedly accused the market leaders of reneging on the earlier agreement that they had with the officials of the state government before the market was reopened for operation.

A leader of one of the sections at the market, who pleaded anonymity, while speaking with the **Nigerian Tribune**, con-

firmed that one person was injured during the protest against the market leaders.

The Welfare Secretary of Ladipo Auto Central Executive Committee, Aju-luchuckwu Ezeanya, confirmed the violent protest to journalists, but blamed it on the selfishness of the traders.

The market union leader insisted that members of the executives of the union were doing their best to comply with the agreement reached with the officials of the state government

When contacted, the image maker in charge of the state police command, Ngozi Braide claimed not to be aware of the clash.

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expressway, Uhunmwode Local Government Area, Edo State, within the jurisdiction of this honourable court without appropriate license, did deal in

by men of the Joint Task Force, 4 Brigade, Nigerian Army with over 33,000 litres of illegal petroleum

product in a DAF truck with Lagos registration number XZ 127 APP," the statement added.