

Drunk mobile policeman allegedly kills 2 in Ibadan

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A Nallegedly drunk mobile policeman was at night on Sunday, said to have killed two persons and injured another after a beer parlour row ensued in Mokola area of Ibadan, the Oyo State capital.

However, the Oyo State Police Command said the man did not kill anybody.

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vestigation indicated that the policeman was out to defend himself when he was about to be mobbed.

Residents, who claimed to witness the development, said it was only an argument over a N5 sachet pure water.

A resident, who pleaded anonymity, said when the trouble ensued and the policeman, who had been drunk, was about to be mobbed, he had to shoot

into the air so as to escape, adding that in the process, two people got killed and one was hit in the leg.

A resident of Sabo said he was hearing sporadic gunshots in the night of Sunday and instructed his family members to get off the bed and lie on the floor. He added that it was later that he heard youths shouting 'thief, thief,' and the policeman was also saying he was not a thief

but a mobile policeman.

He berated the action of the youth, saying that it had become their stock in trade to shout thief on persons they had altercation with or prevent law enforcement agents from performing their duty whenever they came for a suspect.

But the spokesman for the state police command, Mr Adekunle Ajisebutu, said there was no evidence

that the policeman killed anybody.

"As a journalist, did you see the corpse of anybody killed by the man? Go and find out," he told the *Nigerian Tribune*, on the phone.

The State Commissioner of Police, Mr Mohammed Musa Katsina, told the *Nigerian Tribune* that none of the victims of the shooting in Mokola were receiving treatment at the Adeoyo State hospital in Yemetu, adding that the mobile policeman had been arrested and placed under investigation.

"People of the state should remain calm. The purported policeman had been arrested.

"He is currently under investigation on whether he has a mental problem or not.

"The affected people have been taken to Yemetu hospital for treatment," he said.

CDJ congratulates Ajimobi

THE Centre for Democratic Journalists (CDJ) has congratulated the Oyo State governor, Senator Abiola Ajimobi for standing out among other contestants by winning the governorship election in the state.

According to a release signed by its chairman and secretary, Victor Oluwadamilare and Bola Ogunlayi, respectively, Senator Ajimobi did not only win the election, but also break the jinx of second term scenario in the state.

The release further stated that the governorship election in Oyo State was the most challenging in recent times owing to the peculiarity in its campaign issues, numerical strength, gladiators and pacesetter status.

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