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Night crawler shoots guard for stopping him

A night crawler, Abdugafar Odunayo, who allegedly killed a member of a vigilance group who tried to stop him in the early hours of Thursday August, 6, 2015 at Divine Estate Community, Ijoko, Ogun State has been arrested by the Ogun State Police Command.

Crime Reports gathered that the unit commander of the Vigilante Group, one Ibrahim Olukoye reported at Sango Ota Division that the suspect attacked his vigilance group members at about 12.15a.m. while they were on duty in the estate.

The suspect was alleged to have snatched the locallymade single-barrel gun belonging to the night guard, after which he shot him on the head. The night guard reportedly died instantly.

Parading the murder suspect at the police headquarters at Eleweran, Abeokuta, the Commissioner of Police, Abdulmajid Ali, said that immediately the report was received; detectives from the Division were dispatched to scene where they arrested the suspect. The gun used in killing the night guard was also recovered. An unconfirmed

report had it that Odunayo was drunk before his encounter with the vigilance group members.

But Odunayo, whose speech was slurred as he spoke, claimed that he was not drunk. Making efforts to sit straight as he spoke with Crime Reports, Odunayo said: "I am from Abeokuta, Ogun State. I am a mechanical engineer. I did not shoot the security man.

"What happened was that a fight was going on in my neighbourhood. As I was going home from work on the fateful day, the deceased stopped me.

He and his partner started questioning my movement and I told them that I was living nearby. The two of them started beating me until I was injured.

"He corked his gun to shoot me and I was dragging the gun with him, a shot rang out and hit him. I am not feeling well and I can't even put myself together."

The police commissioner however said that the corpse of the deceased had been deposited at the mortuary while the suspect would be charged to cour after the completion of investigations.