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Man disguised as woman beaten to death in Niger

2 suspects arrested

THE police in Niger State have arrested two suspects, Shagari Adamu and Usman Adamu in connection with a mob attack on one Mohammed Ibrahim, for disguising as a lady by wearing female veil {hijab}, while on a visit to his concubine at her matrimonial home at Sauka Kahuta community, an outskirt of Minna, the state capital.

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The incident occurred at about 11:30pm when the first suspect, Honourable

Adamu, who was driving in company with the second suspect, Usman Adamu, said to be his personal assistant, allegedly sighted someone like a woman with a veil, hijab} coming out of his house on the fateful night.

Crime reports further gathered that no sooner that the deceased, who disguised as a woman, sighted the suspects that he took to his heels in an attempt to escape from being caught

and his real identity exposed in the process.

Further checks revealed that luck ran out of the deceased as the second suspect alighted from the car, gave him a hot chase, caught up with him and discovered that it was a man, with female veil (hijab).

Usman Adamu allegedly raised the alarm that attracted residents of the community to the scene and the angry mob beat the person, identified as Mohammed Ibrahim, to a state of coma.

Thereafter, some concerned citizens in the area allegedly reported the matter to the police who promptly moved to the scene, rescued the person and took him to the hospital where he later died the following day, at about 3:55pm.

Meanwhile, the Police Public Relations Officer, Niger State Police Command, Mr Bala Elkana, an

Assistant Superintendent of Police (ASP), confirmed the incident, adding that two suspects have been arrested in connection with the case.

He stated this in a brief interview with the *Crime reports* in Minna, highlighting that the state Police Commissioner, Mr Abubakar Marafa, has condemned in stronger terms the mob attack on the deceased, describing it as an act of lawlessness in all its ramifications.