

# Man drowns in Anambra hotel swimming pool

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**T**RAGEDY struck in Awka, the Anambra State capital on Sunday, as a man in his early 20s drowned in a hotel swimming pool.

The man, whose identity could not be established as

of the time of filing this report, reportedly went to the hotel on a swimming expedition with one of his friends.

He was said to have dived into the swimming pool which had scores of other swimmers.

Unknown to his friend, other swimmers and the swimming pool guide, the

young man, immediately he dived into the swimming pool, did not come up again, as he got himself drowned.

An eyewitness said that shortly after the man and his friend got to the swimming pool, the friend left the swimming pool area in company of a lady.

The source however said

the friend searched for the deceased when he returned to the pool side; and when he didn't see him, he reported to one of the hotel staff members. The eyewitness said that one of the female swimmers later raised the alarm that her leg touched a body inside the swimming pool.

He said that it was then the

guide went into swimming pool and suddenly brought out the young man, who had already taken in a lot of water, almost lifeless, and started pressing his stomach.

He was later rushed to a hospital by the hotel management.

When contacted, the Public Relations Officer (PPRO) of

Delta State Police Haruna Mohammed a telephone interview reported to the police state.

He said he would make enquiries to know if the incident happened, to get back to the **Tribune**.