Colleagues strangle FRSC officer in Anambra

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N official of the Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC) was on Thursday evening at about 7pm strangled, allegedly by two of his colleagues in Onitsha, the commercial city of Anambra State.

The deceased, Mr. Emeka Ojei, who was a Senior Road Marshal Assistant, was reportedly killed for attempting to expose alleged corrupt practices against one of his assailants in the office.

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ered that the deceased was armed with damaging corruption allegation he intended to report at the Corps headquarters in Benin, Edo State before he was murdered.

A staff member of the commission, who spoke with our correspondent on condition of anonymity, claimed that the prime suspect had appealed to the deceased not to go ahead with his plans, adding that it was his refusal that necessitated his actions.

He added in his claims that the officer was struggling with his mobile phone with the deceased when the other colleague joined and held him on the neck until he gave up.

He said, "Emeka is one of the officers privileged to be working on a report on a corruption case to be sent to the headquarters in Benin.

"As he was about going to deliver the report, his *oga* called him back, insisting he shouldn't go. But he turned down their request.

"His oga dragged him with his phone while another officer joined him. He was struggling with them over the phone when they killed him by strangling him. Saturday Tribune further gathered that a report had been lodged at the Police Area command, Onitsha, while the Unit Commander and his accomplice had been arrested.

The FRSC Public Relations Officer in the state, Mr. Pascal Anigbo, confirmed the incident.

"The incident happened around 7pm in the office. I don't have the full details of the incident now," he said.

When contacted, the state commissioner of Police, Mr. Mustapha Dandaura, said he is yet to be briefed on the incident.