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## Vigilance group member allegedly shoots 13-yr-old boy dead in Delta

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ONE week after a suspected Yahoo boy overran a commercial bus driver with his car in Ibusa, near Asaba, Delta State, a 13-year-old boy has been shot dead by a member of the community's vigilance group.

One of the two persons critically-injured in the shoot-out is currently on admission at the Federal Medical Centre, Asaba, while the vigilance group member is said to be on the run.

**Nigerian Tribune** gathered that a landlord in the town had invited vigilance group members to arrest one Monday (surname withheld) for allegedly receiving too many visitors in his apartment.

The tenant, however, argued that the landlord could not dictate who visits him after he had paid his rent.

An eyewitness who did not give his name said: "The landlord brought the vigilance group member, who arrested the tenant and took him to their office.

"Then the tenant called his friends, who came to the vigilance group's office to help resolve the situation, and while the tenant was inside the office with some vigilance group members, another member engaged the three friends outside and before anybody knew what was happening, he shot at them, but the bullet hit a 13-year-old boy who died on the spot, while two other persons were injured.

"One of the injured persons is a 17-year-old. The man who shot at them is currently on the run and the police have begun a man-hunt for him."

Confirming the incident on Tuesday, the Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO) in the state, DSP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, said the vigilance group member was currently at large.