

Mob sets ablaze three persons in Onitsha over phone theft

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A mob, on Thursday, morning burnt three persons to death in Upper Iweka, Onitsha, who were suspected to be thieves, after they were apprehended for phone theft.

A source said the men who were operating with a tricycle dispossessed a victim of his phone, but were caught by the mob.

The source said: "The incident happened at Upper Iweka motor park, almost in front of Star Sunny motor park, here in Onitsha. The

men, who were operating with a tricycle stopped and dispossessed a man of his phone. As they went back into the tricycle and made to drive off, the tricycle malfunctioned and refused to start.

"They became panicky, and in the process, some boys who were loading vehicles in motor park quickly descended on them, beating them up. Some people brought tyres and others brought fuel, and they were set ablaze immediately. Their remains are still here now burning," the source added.