

② Anambra govt seals off hotel where female clubber was beaten to death

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ANAMBRA State government has sealed off a hotel in Awka, the state capital, following news of the death of a lady, Miss Chinyere (surname withheld), in the facility.

Nigerian Tribune had earlier reported that the lady was said to have been beaten to death by some fun seekers who were in

the hotel to celebrate a birthday last weekend.

There are, however, varied accounts of the incident, with some people saying the deceased was accused of picking and pocketing money being sprayed on the birthday celebrant, while others said she had stolen some money meant to be sprayed and was trying to

leave the vicinity when she was apprehended.

While police authorities in the state confirmed that the celebrant and his friends, who were accused of beating the girl to death and dumping her body in a pool, had been arrested, the Commissioner for Culture, Tourism and Entertainment, Don Onyeji, said the hotel had been sealed

off.

Onyenji, who spoke with the *Nigerian Tribune* on phone, said: "Yes, we have visited the hotel and also sealed it off.

"We are in touch with the police who are already investigating the matter.

"The facility will remain sealed off pending the outcome of police investigation."

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