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## Gunmen kill governorship aspirant's mother in A'Ibom

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The remains of the mother of one of the gubernatorial aspirant in Akwa Ibom State, Chief Iniekong Udonwa, Phelomena, were found along Mbieso village, in Nsit Ibom Local Government Area of the state.

The woman, the mother of Udonwa, who is vying for the 2011 governorship seat on the platform of the Peoples Democratic Party, was kindppped 50 days ago.

When our correspondent visited the family house, the husband of the deceased, Sir Udonwa, said, "The assassins informed me that they came for my son for daring to be the governor of the state."

The man explained that the assassins did not demand any ransom, adding that they said that they came for his son (Iniekong).

One of the sons of the deceased, who spoke on the condition of anonymity, described the killing of the 69-year-old woman as baseless. According to him, Iniekong has dropped his political ambition.

When contacted, the commissioner of police, Mr. Walter Rugbere, confirmed the death of Phelomena.

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