

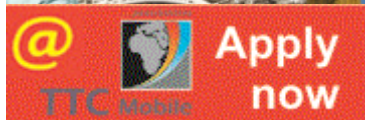
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Inspector-General of Police,
Muhammed Abubakar
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The Independence Day anniversary recorded a tragedy in Bayelsa State as the police allegedly killed a 16-year-old boy along Hospital Road in Yenagoa.

Police patrol teams were immediately withdrawn from the metropolis on Tuesday shortly after the killing.

The killing of the boy, whose identity could not be ascertained, increased to three, the number of persons allegedly shot dead by the police in the past two months.

Our correspondent found that the incident which occurred at about 5pm on Monday threw the popular road which has many bars and brothels into panic.

Eyewitnesses told our correspondent that after shooting the boy, the policemen immediately fled the area.

One of the eyewitnesses who identified herself simply as Charity said the killer policeman was seen running after the boy.

She said the policeman who was some miles away from the teenager opened fire on him but made a U-turn after discovering that he had died.

She said sympathisers who later approached the body discovered that the boy was shot in the head.

She also claimed that the victim's girl friend was arrested by the police.

“Many of us witnessed it. We saw the boy running and we also saw a policeman chasing him with a gun. Suddenly we heard gunshots, and saw the boy fell to the ground with blood gushing out of his head,” Edna claimed.

She said the body of the victim was on the road for over an hour before a police patrol van from the “A” Division came and took it away.

The Police Command Public Relations Officer, Mr. Fidelis Odunna, confirmed that the police took away the body of the victim but said he had yet to know the circumstances that led to his death.

“I can confirm the death of a youth because I was driving along the road when I saw the corpse of the boy lying on the road. I then called the Police Division in charge of the area to come and remove it,” he said.

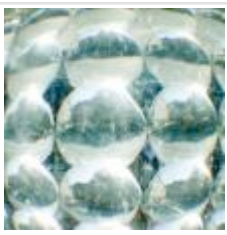
He said the remains were taken to the mortuary for autopsy, adding that investigation had commenced on the matter.

“We cannot say that the boy was killed by the police because we are yet to establish the allegation,” he said.

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Patience October 3, 2012 at 3:39 am

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• *NOTIFICATION* October 3, 2012 at 4:47 am

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• *Owerri* October 3, 2012 at 6:22 am

It is only in Nigeria that police always find pleasure in killing their citizens. A boy of 16 yrs gun down again by police men, after terminating UGO,s life few days back, now is the turn of a teenager to die. Then the next is to say it,s not police that killed the

deceased by state police commissioner together with their PRO, useless people that can not withstand Boko haram, idiots.

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• **MAJOR AKPANGA** October 3, 2012 at 7:08 am

@ patience go and use the first place to collect möney in d bank. Notwithstanding why did we need an eyewitness? The police still denie d shooting. Its like we shud cancel the Nigerian police becos they never realise human life is precious. And whats is the meaning of taking the victim's body for autopsy. I tot its when u dont know the cause of death thats when autopsy is needed

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• **Richy** October 3, 2012 at 7:12 am

i just wish this kid was the son of a rich man.any wayz since the police PRO said it was not the police that killed the boy, i guess he is the son of a poor man.may he rest in peace

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• *clement don ikisa* October 3, 2012 at 7:16 am

The problem we have in Bayelsa state is that there are too many person's that are afraid of their own shit, if we burn down only but one police station alone i believe these killing's will stop.

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• *Dominic* October 3, 2012 at 7:31 am

How a kid of 16 years be shot to death just as if he was on an enemy of state wanted list? When the way he was said to been chast and then shot in the head makes me feel the shoter wanted to make sure the kid most not survive, which make me feel the boy had witness some thing bad which the shoter or who ever sent the shoter don't want the kid to take to the public. there be some thing to this killing, by the way why was it said the kids girl freind was arested? was it that they were afread she maid know what maid had lead to the boy been a treat to the police that shot the boy? This is a shame for our country

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- *human being* October 3, 2012 at 8:15 am

“She said the policeman who was some miles away from the teenager opened fire on him but made a U-turn after discovering that he had died.”
so the policeman was chasing a boy miles away and then shot him in the head?
was he carrying a sniper?

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- *Ben* October 3, 2012 at 9:37 am

That was the way she could express what she witnessed. Pls forget about the figuratives and think about the substance of facts

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- *G-SHARP* October 3, 2012 at 10:50 am

@ Human being; people like you are the type that attempt to divert serious issues

concerning our nation by way of using judicial logic...we must learn to look evil straight in the face and tell the truth. this is not the 1st time.

i have seen policemen open fire from the guns , shooting a fast speeding car tyres because the driver broke some traffic rule, forgetting that by doing so, the car could lose control of the driver and run into other people along the road, thereby causing more harm than the policeman's "intended" good.

the police must work as professionals....I suggest they spend more time watching foreign detective movies like 24 and others, they still have a lot to learn

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• **PONDERING PONDERER** October 3, 2012 at 10:51 am

Naija I hail you! I Any issue bothering on Police, pple no dey wait wear pant b4 dem go run go outside go dey comment!

It is a pity dat most of de commentators are not aware of the existence of the Greenlanders and Icelanders secret cult groups neither are they aware that dis little rascals wer der at the Peace park Yenagoa looting and disposing pple of their fones and valuables of which my humble self and my daughter watched in awe!

It is also a pity that most Anti-Police commentators are not aware that the rascals shot a fellow of one of the cult groups which led to pandemonium before the police even arrived at the scene.The girlfren of the victim in her statement to the crowd that gathered

b4 the arrival of the Police declared that her boifren was pursued by some “cult boys”!
Lets base our arguments with facts

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• wizzo October 3, 2012 at 12:35 pm

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