

# Three teenagers, charged with killing boy, 17

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A 22-year-old man Afeez Salami, and three other teenagers, Akanbi (15), Salisu (17) and Ishola (17) (other names withheld), have been arraigned before an Ikeja Juvenile Court, Lagos, for alleged murder.

The police said the four accused persons conspired together and stabbed a 17-year-old boy, Nwosor Osita, to death.

It was alleged that Osita was accosted by the accused persons at about 10:30pm on October 8 on Safisi Street, Alagbado, Lagos State.

Osita was said to have provoked the accused persons for allegedly putting on a black face cap suspected to be the identity of a cult group - Black Axe.

According to the charge sheet with NO FCI/JUV/123/12 which was made available to our correspondent on Monday, the four accused persons were each charged with two counts of conspiracy to commit felony and murder.

The charge sheet stated "That you Salami,

Akanbi, Salisu and Ishola within the Lagos Magisterial District did conspire together to commit felony to wit murder and thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 231 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State of Nigeria, 2011."

"That you Salami, Akanbi, Salisu and Ishola did unlawfully kill Nwosor Osita by stabbing him to death and thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 221 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State of Nigeria, 2011."

However, the court did not take their plea as the police put up an application for their remand.

Magistrate A.B. Olagbegi-Adelabu who stood in for Magistrate A.A. Oshoniye subsequently ordered them remanded in custody on October 29.

She also ordered the police to duplicate the case file and forward it to the Directorate of Public Prosecutions to enable it to give advice on their prosecution.

At the resumed hearing on Monday, the accused persons were not present in court. Oshoniye then adjourned till March 5 for hearing on the advice of the DPP.