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## Fashion designer remanded for killing elder brother

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A 23-year-old fashion designer, Olumide Oluniyi, has been remanded in prison by an Ebute Meta Magistrate's Court for allegedly stabbing his half brother, Olabode Odumesi, to death with a broken bottle.

It was learnt that Oluniyi and Odumesi were brothers from the same mother, but different fathers.

They had reportedly gone to the Alamuju Market in Idi-Oro, Mushin area of Lagos on December 3, 2014 to work overnight.

When it was around 11pm, the duo was said to have been embroiled in a disagreement which culminated in a fight.

In a fit of anger, the Odogbolu, Ogun State indigene was said to have grabbed a broken bottle with which he stabbed 26-year-old Odumesi in the chest.

It was learnt that Odumesi bled from the injury, and could not get medical help before giving up the ghost.

The investigating police officer, Inspector Emmanuel Mbilla, said although the Oluniyi, a fashion designer, made confessional statement to the police, there was still need for further investigation.

The charge read, "That you, Olumide Oluniyi, on December 3, 2013, at 11pm, at Alamuju Market, Idi-oro Mushin, Lagos in the Lagos Magisterial District did unlawfully kill one Olabode Odumesi, aged 26 years, by stabbing him with a broken bottle and thereby committed an offence punishable under Section 221 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State, Nigeria, 2011."

The defendant's plea was not taken.

The police prosecutor, Corporal Cyriacus Osuji, applied for his remand in prison pending legal advice from the Directorate of Public Prosecution.

"The remand application is pursuant to Section 264 of the Administration of Criminal Justice of Lagos State, Nigeria, 2011. This will also help us conclude all investigations in the matter and duplicate the case file for the DPP legal advice," he added.

The magistrate, Mrs Badejo Okusanya, granted the remand application of the police prosecutor.

The matter was adjourned to February 5, 2014 for DPP advice.

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