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## Man in court for murder of 23-year-old

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A magistrate court in Lagos.

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A 24-year-old man, Onyekachi Uche, has been ordered to be remanded in prison for the murder of one Nwachukwu Chidi, 23.

The police said the deceased was stabbed on his abdomen with a broken bottle during a fight at Suru-Alaba, Orile-Iganmu area of Lagos.

Uche was arraigned on Monday on one count of murder, which read, "That you, Onyekachi Uche, on December 22, 2013 around 9pm, at Suru-Alaba, Orile-Iganmu, Lagos, in the Lagos Magisterial District, did unlawfully kill one Nwachukwu Chidi, aged 23 years, by stabbing him on his left lower

abdomen 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 Investigating Police Officer, Sergeant Lawrence Ibisani, said the defendant was arrested shortly after the incident and had confessed to committing the crime.

In a remand request filed with the charge sheet, Ibisani added that Uche was identified by witnesses who were ready to give evidence in court.

The police prosecutor, Inspector Asu Feddy, applied for the remand of the defendant in prison custody pursuant to Section 264 of the Administration of Criminal Justice Lagos State, 2011.

He said the remand would help the police conclude investigations and forward the case file for advice from the Directorate of Public Prosecution.

The magistrate, E.O Ogunkanmi, agreed to remand the defendant in prison pending the DPP's advice.

The matter was adjourned till February 6, 2014.

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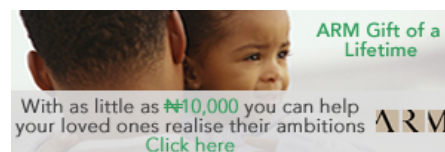


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