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Adeola

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Some yet-to-be-identified assailants have killed a female lawyer and insurance practitioner, Mrs. Ola Adeola, on the Victoria Island area of Lagos.

PUNCH Metro learnt that Adeola is the daughter of a former Chief Judge of Ogun State and Justice of the Supreme Court, Justice Ebenezer Craig.

She was allegedly killed by assailants on Saturday, December 13.

Adeola's throat was reportedly slashed at her residence on Omisore Lane, Oniru Estate, Victoria Island.

Our correspondent gathered that the incident was reported at the Maroko Police Division, and the police consequently arrested and detained Adeola's driver and housemaid for interrogation.

When **PUNCH Metro** got to Adeola's residence on Wednesday, it was observed that a condolence register had been opened for the female lawyer. Our correspondent also met her neighbours sitting under a canopy in the compound, who said they were too distraught to make comments.

One of them told **PUNCH Metro** that Adeola's relatives could also not comment on the incident, adding that they were unavailable as of the time of the visit.

Meanwhile, on the *Facebook* page of the lawyer, our correspondent observed that tributes from friends and colleagues expressing their shock at the incident had been pouring in.

A woman, Mrs. Folakemi Lapite, wrote, "Ola, my darling friend and sister. This is too much. What a miserable life. I can't believe you are no more. We all will miss you. It is over."

Another friend, Mrs. Lola Alayande, said, "Little did I know that I was seeing you for the last time at our quarterly Eagles fellowship at the Oriental Hotel last week Sunday, December 7. This is all a bad dream. We now live in a world infested with demons. God help us all."

Another person, Mr. Lai Oriowo, wrote, "I am so much in shock. She was my name sake. She was always ever cheerful and full of smiles whenever I came across her. It is a horrible world we live in. Rest in perfect peace."

PUNCH Metro learnt that immediately the incident occurred, Adeola's driver and the housemaid allegedly fled the apartment before the police eventually arrested the duo.

Our correspondent learnt that apart from the duo, another housemaid was still on the run.

Meanwhile, it was also gathered that the lawyer's corpse had been deposited in a morgue.

A gardener in the estate, who did not want his name in print, also told our correspondent that he believed the assailants were successful in killing Adeola as a result of an insider's connivance.

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He said, "The men came in through someone close to the woman. That was why they had access to her apartment and carried out their evil act without raising any suspicion. I believe the police, who have arrested two of the woman's close workers, will unravel the killers."

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Kenneth Nwosu, confirmed the incident, adding that investigations were ongoing on the matter at the State Department of Criminal Investigations.

He said, "The case has been transferred to the SDCl, Yaba, for further investigation. Two persons have also been arrested by the police in connection with the murder. The woman indeed died a gruesome death, but the police are working to fish out the killers."

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