Court remands man for killing 22-year-old

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AN E b u t e - M e t a Magistrates' Court has ordered that a 22-year-old man, Temitope Yusuf, be remanded in prison for the alleged murder of one Musa Abubakar.

The Magistrate, Mrs. A.O. Ajibade, said the defendant should be remanded pending legal advice from the Directorate of Public Prosecutions.

The police said Yusuf, aka Ewe, and other members of his gang invaded the residence of the victim on Alice Tinubu Street, Orile Iganmu, Lagos State.

The assailants were said to have cut him in the head with with machetes before fleeing the scene.

While the offence of the victim is still not clear, it was learnt that Abubakar was murdered by his friends.

Yusuf was the only one arrested, while others are still at large.

The police said it only had fingerprint evidence and an eyewitness' account to prosecute the case.

He was arraigned on two counts of murder.

The charge read in part, "That you, Temitope Yusuf, aka Ewe, and others now at large, on June 17, 2015, at about 8am, on Alice Tinubu Street, Orile Iganmu, Lagos, in the Lagos Magisterial District, did unlawfully kill one Musa Abubakar, aged 22 years, by striking his head with a machete."

The police prosecutor, Ighodalo Daniel, said the offence was punishable under sections 231 and 221 of the Criminal Law of Lagos State, Nigeria, 2011.

The defendant's plea was not taken.

Daniel applied for the defendant's remand in custody pending advice from the DPP.

The defence counsel, Imelda Adebambo, did not object to the application.

The magistrate granted the request and subsequently adjourned the case.

them with more facilities to preserve meat.

The Chairman of the association, Alhaji Bamidele Kaseem, said this at a news conference in Lagos.

He said, "We urge Governor Ambode to improve the business of butchers in Lagos by providing us with more storage facilities to enable the preservation of our meats.

"We applaud the Supreme Court's judgment, which affirmed Ambode as the duly elected governor of the state, in the last governorship election. It is a welcome development, and an affirmation of the wish of the majority of Lagosians."

The chairman also expressed confidence in the composition of the Lagos State Executive Council, saying the association believed that the government would deliver on its campaign promises in no time.

"We have the belief that with the calibre of people in the cabinet, the government will deliver on its campaign promises soon. Specifically, the wealth of experience of a few former commissioners will also contribute to the success of the Ambode administration," Kaseem added.