

Family of Rivers detainee demands autopsy

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Rivers State Commissioner of Police, Mr Joseph Mukan

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The family of Phillip Brown, who died in detention at the Eagle Crack Unit of the Rivers State Police, has called on the Commissioner of Police, Joseph Mukan, to order an autopsy to be conducted on the corpse.

Speaking through one of its lawyers, Charles Uchegbu, in Port Harcourt on Tuesday, the family also urged the CP to carry out an investigation into the matter and arrest those, who allegedly tortured Brown to death.

Uchegbu stated, “We are calling on the Commissioner of Police to order an autopsy in order to ascertain the cause of death and also to immediately arrest those who tortured Phillip Brown to death.

“My client, Phillip Brown, was arrested without any firearm. He was arrested while he was going about his peaceful duties. If our demands are not met, we are going to court to ask for an order of mandamus to mandate the police to prosecute this matter.”

He urged Mukan to review his position that Brown was mobbed by residents of Diobu waterfront after he was allegedly caught in a failed armed robbery operation.