## One killed in fresh Enugu cult clash

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There was anxiety in the Enugu metropolis on Sunday after one person was reportedly killed in a renewed cult war.

The victim, who was killed on Saturday at the Relay Railway Quarters, was identified as Nbuma.

The PUNCH gathered that the deceased was the leader of the Aro Mates, aka The Vikings, in the neighbourhood.

A security guard in the area, who did not want his name mentioned, told our correspondent on Sunday that the late Nbuma was drinking at a joint when a gang of seven boys stormed the area with guns, machetes and axes.

"I was also at the joint, drinking, around 9pm. The late Nbuma was outside with some friends also drinking. Suddenly, the boys from nowhere stormed the venue. Immediately he saw them, he ran into a compound nearby, but those boys pursued him.

"A few minutes later, we started to hear gunshots. About 20 minutes later, we came back because when those boys pursued him, everybody in the joint ran for their lives. So we came and saw that the guy was already dead, with axe cuts all over his body," the guard said.

It was gathered the renewed cult war was between the Aro Mates and the Air Lords, aka The Supreme Eiye Confraternity.

When our correspondent visited the Railway Quarters on Sunday, there was uneasy calm, as drinking joints in the area were under lock and key, while a few male adults were seen moving around.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Daniel Ndukwe, did not take his phone, which rang out.

He also did not respond to a text message sent to his phone as of the time of filing this report.