

# Family kicks as 14-year-old girl drowns in Delta hotel

Dele Ogunyemi, Warri

A 14-year-old girl, Favour Appiah, has drowned in the

## Ekiti police declare teenager missing

Abiodun Nejo,  
Ado Ekiti

THE police in Ekiti State have declared a 15-year-old girl, Onyechi Ndubuisi, missing.

The state Commissioner of Police, Tunde Mobayo, stated that the girl, resident on Ilupeju Avenue, Ado Ekiti, left home on August 11 to an unknown destination.

Mobayo, in a statement by the Police Public Relations Officer, Sunday Abutu, titled, 'Missing Person', stated that "Information at our disposal is that she neither reached her hometown in Ebonyi State, nor returned to Ado-Ekiti."

"She is 15 years old, dark in complexion, speaks Igbo and English languages

ing of four Imo oil workers

swimming pool of a popular hotel, Manuex Place Hotel, in Effurun, in the Uvwie Local Government Area of Delta State.



• Ndubuisi

fluently," the statement added.

## Court orders N4m compensation for businessman tortured

Patrick Odey, Uyo

THE Akwa Ibom State High Court sitting in Uyo, the state capital, on Monday, ordered the state police command; the Commissioner of Police, Andrew Amienpheme; and a

Sources said the incident, which occurred on Sunday, threw guests and staff of the hotel into confusion.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the hotel, located on Jakpa Road, was often used by several oil companies.

A family member of the victim, who did not want to be identified, said the hotel management was negligent.

According to the distraught family member, the pool attendant was not around when the incident happened.

The deceased was reportedly declared missing on the hotel premises by her relatives before her lifeless body was discovered at the



• Manuex Place Hotel

bottom of the pool.

"We searched everywhere

when we could not find her.

We thought she might have

him for three days without justification.

The court also found that Clement was tortured by the police, a violation of his right to dignity of the human person.

Also, it found Umeh liable of "violation of the fundamental rights of the applicant to

He said, "For me, the judgement is okay for my client who has suffered immeasurable damage arising from the despicable action of CSP Celestine Umeh. As I speak to you, my client has been separated from his wife,

gone to change. We checked, but we didn't see her until we drew the attention of the hotel to the incident.

"The pool attendant was not there when the incident happened. When the pool attendant came, he refused to enter the water. No one could see the bottom of the water.

"It was one of the receptionists who just resumed who entered the pool to search if she was there. Lo and behold, she had drowned and was lying at the bottom of the pool," the family member said.

Our correspondent gathered that the remains of the teenager were later deposited at the mortuary of

## by police

lost his matrimonial home aided by the police and CSP Umeh."

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Odiko Macdon, said he was not aware of the judgement and could not comment on it.

the Central Hospital, Warri.

The Manager of Manuex Place Hotel, Benie O., confirmed the incident, but declined to give details.

The acting Police Public Relations Officer, Delta State, DSP Bright Edeke, also confirmed the incident.

## Court remands t

Maritha Ebolusue

AN Ikeja Magistrates' Court has remanded two unemployed men in a custodial centre in Lagos for allegedly being in possession of a toy gun.

The police charged 25-year-old Toheed Tajudeen and 27-year-old Segun Jayeola, whose residential addresses were not given, with conspiracy and unlawful possession of a firearm.

Magistrate Elizabeth Adeola did not take their pleas, but ordered that they should be kept in the Kirikiri Custodial Centre.

The magistrate also directed that the case file should be sent to the state Director of Public Prosecutions for legal advice.