Man flees after shooting brother dead in Rivers

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A man, Patrick Chukwu, has allegedly shot his elder brother, Benedict, to death during an argument at their residence in Elele-Alimini community, in the Emohua Local Government Area of Rivers State.

PUNCH Metro gathered that the duo were on the premises of their residence when Patrick used chairs to block his brother from accessing where he usually packed his motorcycle.

The brothers' cousin, Joseph Asomeji, while narrating the incident to our correspondent, said Benedict's pleas to make Patrick remove the chairs on the road were ignored, adding that when Benedict forcefully removed the chair, Patrick angrily used a wedge to attack his brother.

Asomeji said, "But neighbours came out and collected the wedge from Patrick, who later went inside to pick up a machete, which the neighbours also retrieved from him. As if that was not enough, the younger brother ran inside again, brought a hunter's gun and fired his elder brother's neck, killing him instantly."

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Noting that the matter was reported to the police, Asomeji said Patrick took to his heels after perpetrating the crime.

"The incident is condemnable. We actually don't know what came over him to have committed the offence. The fact remains that both of them are blood-related. They are of the same parents; one is 44-year-old and the other one is 40 years old. We condemn the act. Somebody who commits a crime must have to face the law," he said.

Contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Grace Iringe-Koko, confirmed the incident.

She said, "The command is aware of the incident and an investigation is ongoing. That is all I can say for now."