## A'Ibom man kills son, dumps burnt corpse in pit toilet

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The Akwa Ibom State Police Command said it had arrested one Innocent Uko for allegedly killing his 26-year-old son, Boniface,

Aka Ibom Police PRO, Macdon Source: File **m.** 

Uko, who hailed from Ebe Ikpe village in the Essien Udim Local Government Area of the state, was arrested by policemen after the incident was reported by the village head, Chief Akpan Aniekan, and the council chairman, Sylvester Akpan.

The state Police Public Relations Officer, SP Odiko Macdon, disclosed this to journalists in Uyo, the state capital, on Tuesday.

Macdon said the suspect had confessed to killing his son with a machete and that he burnt and dumped his corpse in an abandoned pit toilet in his compound to conceal the act.

He said, "One Chief Akpan Aniekan, the village head of Ebe Ikpe village in the company of one Sylvester Akpan, the village council chairman reported that one Innocent Uko of Ebe Ikpe village in Essein Udim Local Government Area, used a machete and killed his son, Boniface, aged 26 years, burnt the corpse and dumped the carcass of the deceased in an abandoned pit toilet in his compound to conceal the act.

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"On the strength of the report, police operatives in Essien Udim Divisional Headquarters visited the scene. The deceased's burnt corpse has been deposited at the morgue. The suspect was arrested and has confessed to killing the deceased, his son on the grounds of bad character and incessant harassment and embarrassment."

The police spokesperson also said the command arrested one Charley John who allegedly stole two seven-year-old children.

He said the suspect used his 10-year-old kid brother to lure the victims who are his schoolmates from their classroom for him to abduct them.