Burglar-proof door traps 12-year-old boy to death

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THE family of Odioye has been thrown into mourning following the death of their 12-year-old son, Dominion, who died in the hospital after he was trapped in the holes of the burglar-proof door of their house.

PUNCH Metro learnt that the incident, which was said to have happened around 1.30pm at No. 4, Ilu Agbado in Ogun State last Tuesday, occurred when the deceased minor folded two curtain materials and turned them into a swing on the bars.

However, what started as a swing play turned ugly when the 12-year-old boy became trapped in between the holes of the burglar-proof bars at the entrance of their apartment and became worn out while trying to free himself.

PUNCH Metro learnt that

the mother of the deceased victim, Justina, who met Dominion trapped between the bars, called for help, but the boy had become unconscious before being removed from the bars.

Our correspondent learnt that the boy was later confirmed "dead on arrival" by a doctor on duty at the hospital he was rushed to for treatment.

"Burglar-proof bars like

that have now been outlawed. We want parents to avoid them. They need to ensure the safety of their children when using burglar-proof bars in their homes. They can use alternative protection. Burglar-proof doors with holes should not be used when kids are in the house," the state Police Public Relations Officer, Omolola Odutola, said while confirming the incident.