## 'After reckless convoy in Ebonyi killed my brother, police switched-off his phones'

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An elder brother to a 100-level student of Social Works, Ebonyi State University, Akah Ebube Franklin, who was knocked down by a reckless convoy on a school runs in Abakaliki, Mr Akah Isidore Izuchukwu, has narrated how men of the Police Command switched-off his brother's phones and dumped and labelled his corpse 'unknown' in the mortuary.

Izuchukwu said that it took the dogged and consistent search by family members and his brother's coursemates to find and identify his corpse in the mortuary, saying the Police compromised in the process.

Franklin, a native of Okwunyionu Nkaleke Echara, in the Ebonyi Local Government Area of the state, was said to have been hit by one of the vehicles on a three-vehicle convoy on Onwe Road, when he was returning from an errand on Afikpo Road area of Abakaliki,

the capital of Ebonyi State, penultimate week.

He and the motorcyclist conveying him were said to have died on the spot.

Narrating the family's ordeal to South-East PUNCH correspondent in Abakaliki, on Wednesday, Ebube's elder brother, Izuchukwu, said, "What happened was that on the 1st of December, 2023, my younger brother, Akah Franklin Ebube, was involved in an accident, along Onwe Road, Abakaliki, Ebonyi State. That accident involved the convoy of the governor that was on a school runs.

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