Son kills 70-year-old mother in Akwa Ibom

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There is confusion in Etim Ekpo Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State following the murder of a 70-year-old woman, Mma-Offiong James Peter, by her son, Inyangake James Peter.

The suspect, who was arrested by the police on April 4, 2024, at about 9:00 am, said he acted based on a voice which kept prompting him to kill her.

This was contained in a statement by the Police Public Relations Officer of the Akwa Ibom State Command, Odiko Macdon, on Monday.

The statement read, "The Akwa Ibom State Police Command has arrested one Inyangake James Peter, 40 years old for gruesomely murdering his biological mother, one Mma-Offiong James Peter, about 70 years old on 4/4/2024 at about 9:00 am at Ikpe Annang Village in Etim Ekpo LGA.

"The Suspect who confessed to the crime has been transferred to the state CID for discrete investigation.

"The suspect on interrogation alleged that he had a voice saying 'kill her', 'kill her', and he decided to oblige."

In a related development, the statement added that the police have also arrested one Solomon Asuquo Isaac, who murdered his son as a result of a family misunderstanding.

It further read, "Also one Solomon Asuquo Isaac of Ikot Obok Nsit in Nsit Ibom LGA who murdered his son, one Iboro Isaac, 18-years-old, last year as a result of a family misunderstanding, has been

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"Cases of some family members killing their biological relations have been of great concern to the Command in recent times.

The statement added that the command also arrested another suspect for possession of arms and ammunition.

"On 9/4/2024, Anti-Robbery Squad of the Command on stop and search intercepted and arrested one Ekemini Edet Akpan of Ekpene Ikpan Village, Nsit Ibom LGA along Calabar Itu Highway by Raycon Construction Company, for having one locally made gun, one revolver pistol and eighteen live cartridges.

"Suspects will be charged to court after investigation", the statement concluded.

In April 2020, Sunday PUNCH reported that a 37-year-old man in Anambra State, Chigorom Ezeofor, allegedly hacked his father to death.

Sunday PUNCH gathered that the incident occurred in Umuchiana village in the Aguata Local Government Area of the state.

A family source told our correspondent that the suspect had been exhibiting some unusual behaviour before the incident occurred.