Group demands justice for 20-year old killed for stealing power bank

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Okeoma (middle) with Amadi's parents
A human rights organization, Stand for Humanity Foundation has called on the Imo State Commissioner of Police, Aboki Danjuma, to arrest and prosecute all those involved in the murder of late Chinonso Amadi, a 20 year old boy in the state.
The organisation insisted that Amadi's death was a jungle justice, arguing that the culprits have a case to answer.
A mob had on May 21 accused Chinonso of stealing a power bank used for charging phones, and administered jungle justice on him which resulted to death at Owaelu Uratta in the state.
The mob had after the accusation, beat and tortured him at a place call

Founder of Stand for Humanity Foundation, Comrade Chidiebube Okeoma, told journalists in Owerri, the Imo State capital on Tuesday that the organization had visited the parents and siblings of the deceased and assured them of support to get justice for the family.

According to him, the Foundation had video clips of how the mob flogged the 20- year- old at their torture centre until he passed on.

He disclosed that though people had been arrested in connection with the dastardly act, he assured that those still on the run would be caught and made to face the full consequences for their unlawful action.

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ChinonsoAmadi, who was killed last week Wednesday at OwaeluUratta in Owerri Nortn, imo state, after accusing him of stealing a power Bank.

"We have obtained video clips of how they killed the young man. They took him to a place they call torture centre, tied his legs, flogged and beat him until he collapsed and died in their hands. After they killed him, they carried his

corpse and dumped it in front of his father's house and fled.

"Our Organization, Stand for Humanity Foundation condemns this barbaric action and we have assured the family of justice. Our legal adviser, Barr ChijiokeOnwubuariri has activated actions to help the family. We will be meeting with the family this week and from there, we will take legal actions to ensure that justice is served.

"I have forwarded the video clips to our legal adviser, ChijiokeOnwubuariri. He is studying it and after that we will take legal action. Jungle justice has no place in the 21 century. It was a deliberate action. The same people who killed the young man were the ones who were filming and posting the clips of their lawlessness on social media. We have gotten hold of the clips and we are taking legal action, immediately.

"We thank the state Commissioner of Police for promptly ordering the arrests of the suspects but those who fled must be caught. The family of the deceased is in despair as I speak and our Foundation insists that only justice can pacify them and save the society from witnessing another animalistic action as this in the future."

Okeoma recalled that two days before that incident many villagers in Umuora in Umuohiri community in the IsialaMbano LGA of the state had also killed their kinsman, ChibugoAmadi while administrating jungle justice on him for fighting his young brother over family inheritance.

He disclosed that the Foundation was also pursuing the matter and is committed to getting justice for the deceased's young widow and eight children.

