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Teenager Charged With Murder

n Ilorin Magistrates' Court on Tuesday remanded a 17-year old teenager, Mohammed Abubakar, of Woro Fulani Camp in Kaiama, for allegedly killing his friend with a machete.

The accused was remanded on a one-count charge of culpable homicide, which contravened Section 221 of the Penal Code.

The Police Prosecutor, Sergeant Balikis Adu, told the court that the accused used a machete on his friend's forehead.

"Abubakar callously inflicted a severe, deep machete cut on the forehead of his friend, Umar Babuga, 18 years, which led to his death." The prosecutor added that the victim died on the way as his father, Mr Abubakar Machido, conveyed him to a hospital.

He said Machido later reported the case to the Kaiama Divisional Police Headquarters and urged the court to remand the accused in prison, saying investigation into the matter was ongoing.

The accused, however, pleaded not guilty.

The Presiding Magistrate, Mrs Kalejaye Yahaya, accepted the submission of the prosecutor and remanded the accused at the Medium Security Prison, Mondala.

She adjourned the case to 10 October, 2011 for further hearing.