

view of the fact that the matter being a political case, was time bound and needed to be dispensed with expeditiously.

released by the electoral body also affected five other states, whose governors then, were seeking tenure elongation and

Amaechi's tenure and said even though the governor was sworn in on October 26, 2007, his tenure would

occupation for the rightful person and never cancelled the poll or ordered any fresh one.

# Councillor, 2 others killed in Rivers

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**No fewer than three persons including a local government councillor, have been killed and scores wounded in a clash that erupted in two communities in Rivers State.**

The councillor identified as Nelson Ogbuji, representing Ward 4 in Eleme Local Government Area, was allegedly strangled to death by mob on his way

to Ekporo, his native home.

An eyewitness account stated that the councillor met his death when he was accosted by irate group suspected to have come from Ogu community.

The source said the thugs on sighting the councillor concluded that he was from Ekporo and swooped on him.

It was gathered that the fresh clash was between Ogu community in Ogu/Bolo Local Government Area and Ekporo community in

Eleme Local Government Area in the state, over alleged attempt of the former to claim the latter.

According to an information gathered from an anonymous source from Ogu community, a boy was on Wednesday afternoon shot and brutally slaughtered along Government Secondary School Road in Ogu by unknown persons.

However, policemen were said to have been deployed to the area to forestall escalation of the crisis.

Chairman of Eleme Local Government, Orji Ngofa, who also confirmed the story, linked the death of the councillor to a prolonged land dispute between Ekporo and their neighbouring Ogu community.

When Daily Sun contacted the state Police Public Relations Officer, Ahmad Muhammad, a Deputy Superintendent (DSP), he confirmed that two persons were killed, adding that normalcy had been restored in the affected area.