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tion, raided the hotel
where the suspect had
camped himself for a

year. That was where
he lodged after each
day's business," Mbu
said.

The CP assured that
the suspect would soon
be charged to a court
of law.

Man hacks rival to death over affair with wife

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A man, Solomon Sunday said to be in his mid-forties, has allegedly killed one Obi Agada over suspicion that the victim was having an illicit affair with his wife of many years, one Alice Akwe.

The incident, which occurred in Agbor, Ika South Local Government Area of Delta State, threw neighbours into bewilderment as they expressed shock over the secret affair between the deceased and the said Alice.

A source told *Sunday Sun* that although the estranged couple had separated, the husband (Solomon) was yet to refund the bride price as he was still grieving over the loss of his wife to his rival.

While it could not be ascertained what actually led to the separation, it was gathered that the marriage between Solomon and Alice had remained childless after many years the union was contracted.

On the day of the unfortunate incident, the suspect was said to have stormed his

estranged wife's rented apartment and met the deceased half-dressed.

While brimming with anger, the suspect was said to have engaged the deceased in a fight and as the confrontation was becoming fiercer; he (suspect) allegedly reached for a plank and smashed it on the head of the deceased.

"That man, Solomon has been contending painfully over his wife, Alice. He came here that day and met the other man in the wife's apartment and in the fit of anger, he began fighting with him resulting in the injuries sustained by the deceased," a source said.

According to the source, the victim who became unconscious as a result of the impact of the plank was rushed to the Agbor General Hospital where medics battled unsuccessfully to save his life.

He was later confirmed dead while his corpse was deposited at the mortuary of the same hospital.

Sunday Sun further learnt that as at the time of the indoor scuffle between the suspect and the deceased,

the lady at the centre of the crisis, Alice was in the bathroom and that she came out to meet the deceased in an unconscious state.

"She raised the alarm that somebody was dying in her apartment and the neighbours should come to her rescue. It was at this point that people rushed the victim to the hospital where he was confirmed dead," the source added.

When contacted, the Acting Public Relations Officer of the Delta State Police Command, DSP Charles Muka confirmed the incident, saying that one Alice Akwe reported the matter to the police in Agbor.

Muka added that the said Alice and the principal suspect, Solomon had been arrested and detained and that they were helping the police in further investigation, adding that they would soon appear in court.

According to Muka, Alice confirmed that Solomon was her husband but they had separated due to childlessness, adding that the suspect had refused to let her have some peace.