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Extra-judicial killing: Families demand N500m from Customs

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COMPTROLLER General of Custom has been petitioned over an alleged extra-judicial killing of a trader by men of his Department at Ogere, Ogun State and inflicted injuries on another. The victims were on their way to the North from Lagos when the incident happened.

The families of the victims, through their lawyer, Akib Idris, alleged that their sons late Salisu Badamasi, and Adamu Sani were shot after N400, 000 had been collected from them over goods that were earlier confiscated from them by

the officers.

Salisu died while Adamu was seriously injured.

The families are demanding a comprehensive investigation into the circumstances leading to the death of Salisu and the injuries sustained by Adamu. They are also demanding a N500million compensation.

The petitioners alleged that the conduct of the Custom men was a flagrant violation of the fundamental right of the two persons and called on the Comptroller General to ensure that thoseinvolved are punished and restrained from further harassing, arresting and forceful extortion of money from the surviving victim.

They also requested for the refund of the alleged N400, 000 earlier colleted by the men of the Custom services from the victims with public apology published in two national

dailies.

They gave two weeks ultimatum for Custom Services to comply with their demand; at the end of which they may seek legal redress in court.