

Gunmen kill man at Lagos bus stop

By Cosmas Omegoh

THERE was pandemonium yesterday about midday at the popular Maza-Maza bus stop along the Lagos-Badagry expressway when suspected assassins swooped on an unidentified man, shot and killed him at close range, before fleeing. The gunmen took none of his belongings.

According an account, the man was standing by the side of the inner lane of the road waiting for a bus going towards Mile 2 when two men arrived on a motorcycle and shot him dead.

A witness told *Daily Sun*: "The incident happened in a commando style. The victim was waiting to board one of the buses going to Mile 2 and, perhaps, beyond, when the incident happened. They shot him in the head and he fell down and died instantly. No one could identify the gunmen let alone give them a chase and the police were not there. So, the gun-

men fled towards Mile 2 area. Everyone who stood there with the victim all fled for their life, in various directions. No one can tell the motive behind the dastardly act." When the correspondent arrived at the scene, at about 1.30pm, the body of a middle-aged man was seen lying face-up in a pool of blood. He was surrounded by sympathisers and onlookers. The man's cell phone was lying on his chest with no one daring to either go near his body or touch it.

"It is with his phone that the police can trace his family and inform them of this unfortunate incident," a man said.

Soon after, three policemen appeared on the scene. After inspecting the body, one of them in plain clothes picked up the dead man's cell phone and then got a bus driver to convey the body to the mortuary.