

Auto crash, flood claim 4 in Abia

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THREE people were reported to have died in Aba, Abia State, yesterday, following a fatal auto crash which oc-

curred in the city.

Another person was said to have died Sunday evening as a result of electrocution occasioned by a torrential rain that swept across the city.

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at the airport. He provided different accounts for the emir to pay the money into, one of which included that of Fidelis Poor," he said.

Uwujaren said that the people later called the emir and directed him to call one Evangelist Rose Marry Oni (JP) for handing over the container.

He said that all efforts made by the emir to collect the goods or get his money back

had proved futile.

"The Commission, upon the receipt of the petition, commenced a discrete investigation into the matter, which led to the suspect's arrest," he said.

Uwujaren said that the suspect would be arraigned at the conclusion of investigations, adding that other members of the syndicate would soon be arrested.

The accident, which took the lives of three people whose identities could not be immediately ascertained, occurred on the popular Okigwe road in Aba, involving a white colour Mercedes C300 4Matic with registration No. Abuja: KUJ 425 BJ, and a Black colour GLK 350 4 Matic with registration No. Enugu: JRV 320 EA.

The vehicles said to have been coming in opposite directions at top speed were reported to have had head-on collision at about 2am, on Monday.

Two occupants of the vehicles died on the spot, while the third died at a private hospital where he was taken for medical attention.

Other occupants of the vehicles, including women, were said to have sustained various degrees of injuries.

Investigations revealed that drivers of the cars were coming back from night clubs and might have been driving under the influence of alcohol.

Meanwhile, a man lost his life on the Ngwa/Ohanku Road axis of Aba, on Sunday, following a torrential rain that swept across the city.

The man, said to be a native of Item, in Bende Local Government Area, but resident on the Okoro Road axis of the city, was said to have died as he was returning from an outing and stepped on a naked electricity cable unearthed by the surging flood.

Many properties were reported to have been destroyed by the flood.

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