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Gunmen kill pregnant woman, vigilante at **Enugu drinking joint**

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From **Jude Chinedu**, Enugu

Gunmen on Monday shot dead a pregnant woman and a member of a local vigilance outfit in Akwuke, Enugu South Local Government Area of Enugu State.

ordered everybody to lie down.

The owner of the joint, who also lived in the same compound, was able to escape through the back door, but his pregnant wife was not so lucky, as the men pursued her into her kitchen and shot her dead.

A young man, whose name was given as Nonso, one of the vigilantes, who was at the joint, tried to escape, but was also shot dead.

The pregnant woman's house help, who was also helping out in the joint, was shot in the leg, and is now receiving treatment at a hospital.

It was also learnt that the gunmen had earlier gone into a compound in Akwuke and demanded to see another young man, but the man was not at home, prompting them to come for the owner of the drinking joint, Hon. Felix Onyia, the immediate past councillor representing Akwuke ward at the Enugu South legislative Assembly.

One of the witnesses, who pleaded anonymity, narrated how the incident unfolded.

"I saw everything. I asked the woman to prepare fish for me, and I was drinking, waiting for the fish when we heard, "Lie down, all of you."

"NwaGod, popularly known as Hon. Onyia, was sitting on the other side with Nonso, the vigilante that was shot. When they told us to lie down, I quickly moved into one of the rooms and from there, I jumped through the window and they saw me, but did not shoot me.

"It was later I learnt that they shot NwaGod's wife and shot Nonso, the security man, also. They, also, shot the girl that was serving in the beer parlour."

When contacted, the Police Spokesman in Enugu, Daniel Ndukwe, promised to get back to Daily Sun.

He was yet to confirm the incident at the time of filing this report.

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