

Police arrest IMSU student for killing final year FUTO student

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THE Imo State Police Command has arrested a 300 level student of the Imo State University (IMSU), Francis Marvellous, for allegedly stabbing to death a final year student of the Federal University of Technology Owerri (FUTO) and a member of the University's Man 'O' War Unit, Chinagoroam Marvellous Kingsley, 22. He is currently detained at the Homicide department of the command.

The suspect, 21, who hails from Ehime Mbano, was arrested by the police operatives on a patrol following a distress call by the Chief Se-

curity officer of FUTO, Mr Patrick Egwu, a retired Deputy Superintendent of Police (DSP).

The prompt arrival of the police operatives saved the suspect from being lynched by an angry mob over the death of Kingsley, it was gathered.

A press release by the spokesperson of the State Police Command, Henry Okoye (ASP) said the body of the victim was recovered and rushed to the Federal Medical Centre, Owerri, where he was confirmed dead and deposited at the mortuary.

The statement read further: "On interrogation, the suspect confessed to the crime, admitting that he had a heated argument with personnel of the university's Man O' War Unit

about 10pm on February 29, during which he brought out a knife he neatly concealed in his trousers and stabbed the victim to death. He mentioned three others who were with him during the fight. They include his brother, Francis Promise, Prince and a man popularly known as Soji.

"The Command, therefore, is using this medium to dispel the false narratives making the rounds on social media that the victim was stabbed to death by Hausa Fulani/Northerners, warning that the misinformation is the handiwork of mischief makers, who want to provoke unnecessary intertribal conflict between the good people of Imo State and the northerners residing in the state."

