

Pregnant woman not murdered at Owerri airport –FAAN

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THE Federal Airports Authority of Nigeria (FAAN) has said that the murder of Mrs. Chinwendu Amadi did not occur within the Sam Mbakwe International Cargo Airport (SMICA) in Owerri.

Reacting to reports that a pregnant woman was raped to death at Imo airport, FAAN said in a statement from its spokesperson, Obiageli Orah that officials discovered the woman's body

near Runway 17, outside the airport premises, bordering the Umueze community.

"On October 18, 2024, a group of youths from Awaogwu Logara, a nearby village, reported the incident to Aviation Security (AVSEC) officers.

The youths were combing the bush paths around the airport in search of a missing community member. Consequently, their search led to the tragic discovery of the woman's body near Runway

17. FAAN promptly alerted all relevant security operatives, including the Airport Commandant and Divisional Police Officer (DPO), to launch a comprehensive investigation into the case.

"Inspector Vincent N., who led the investigative team from Umuneke Division, Ngor Okpala Local Government, observed that the victim had sustained multiple stab wounds to the abdomen. However, no blood splatters or signs of a struggle ap-

peared at the location where investigators recovered the body of Mrs. Amadi. This absence strongly suggests that someone murdered her elsewhere and later transported the body to the Runway 17 vicinity. FAAN night guards, during interrogation, reported no suspicious activity in the area before the discovery.

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