Outrage over death of pregnant woman in Abuja

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Justice and Equality For All Movement has staged protest to the Federal High Court, Abuja, to demand the release of a probe report and prosecution of Asabe Waziri, over the death of a pregnant woman, Shitua Aso.

The movement, led by Moses Aham Akano, said the incident which occurred in 2010 cannot be statue barred.

He said it was a criminal matter and the long arm of the law is always ready to catch up with anyone that runs foul of the law.

He said:"We are here to call on the Inspector-General of Police, Kayode Egbetokun to release an investigative report of the murder allegedly committed by one Asabe Waziri in 2011.

"According to the letter of demand for the report written to the IGP, we are asking the him to release its investigative report on the matter.

"We have as long asked the court to order the IGP to release police report on the matter.

"Apart from being in court, we also want to bring the attention of the public to this because for 15 years, family of the late Shitua Aso, who was pregnant at the time of the! Incident needs justice.

"We are in court to ensure the law takes its course and to get justice for the late pregnant woman, Shitua Aso. We are in court to follow the legal way to mandate the police to release its investigative report which was carried out 15 years ago. We are saying justice must be done because an injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere.

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"Asabe Waziri should not frustrate the process of the court with her application to join in the matter. What we need is justice for late Shitua Aso, who was pregnant at the time of her death.

"Nigerias are crying, the world is crying amd all we want is justice. The case is not statue bar, we are crying for justice for the late pregnant woman".

In May 2024, Global Integrity Crusade Network, GICN, also wrote the IGP, asking for the report saying the investigation in the matter must not be swept under the carpet.

The petition, signed by the Publicity Secretary of GICN, Leticia Omeiza, stated that failure of the police to make public the report, GICN shall institute an action in court to compel the IGP to release the report.

According to GICN, the case should be re-open for the family of the victim to get justice.

Parts of the petition reads: "Research took us to the National Library of Nigeria where we uncovered a story tagged "Woman hit with car by opponent" on Page 57 of the Sunday Trust newspaper dated 30th

May. 2010. Certified True Copy (CTC) of the newspaper is attached as APPENDIX 1.

According to the story, Aso had accompanied her sister Nonto Ogunyinka to the FCT Police Command, Garki 2, Abuja in a controversy involving Mrs. Ogunyinka and one Miss Asabe Waziri.

It was reported that Police had settled the dispute between Mrs. Ogunyinka and Miss Asabe Waziri, whereupon both women left with the intention of going to their respective houses but exchanged unpleasant remarks along the stairway.