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No fewer than three people were yesterday killed in a renewed cult war involving two groups in Benin, the Edo State capital. Yesterday's killings occurred less than one month to the state governorship election slated for September 10, raising concern among residents of the state.

New Telegraph gathered that rival cult groups attacked each other, sustaining varying degree of injuries, while one of them was beheaded during the attack. Among those who lost their lives in the crisis, which forced residents to scamper for safety, included a man simply identified as Papa Obodo, who was said to have been beheaded yesterday afternoon. It was learnt that the bloody war involved members of the Aiye cult group and the Eiye Confraternity group.

Trouble was said to have started when there was a disagreement between two people suspected to be members of the groups with one of them calling on members his group at a popular drinking bar located along

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Sakponba Road in the city.

The misunderstanding was later said to have degenerated into a free for all that led to the killing of one of the cultists.

The situation took a dangerous twist yesterday when two suspected gunmen on reprisal mission shot at a man who was later identified as Osaze at close range at his residence along Second East Circular Road. The victim had escaped from the grip of the cultists when they stormed his house, but managed to escape but was later killed in the process.

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