

One killed, 10 injured as 2 cult groups clash in Awka

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One person was killed yesterday in Awka, the capital of Anambra state while 10 others sustained severe injuries following a violent clash which occurred for hours between two rival cult groups.

New Telegraph learnt that trouble started when one of the two groups, Bagger fraternity allegedly stormed family house of the Ayees kingpin, Chukwujekwu Chinweuba, aka Ajie, in Awka and allegedly shot him dead.

It was gathered that the Bagger group allegedly opened fire, shooting indiscriminately into the air to scare people before the group went for the deceased and al-

legedly shot him dead while innocent residents scampering for safety sustained injuries while the shootings lasted.

According to a family source, the Bagger fraternity members were on a reprisal following an alleged killing of their members by Ayees members about a month ago.

The source said the bagger members numbering about twenty allegedly stormed the house of the kingpin with guns, machetes and charms.

Confirming the incident when contacted, Commander of Special Anti-Cultism Squad (SPACS), of the Anambra State Police Command, Mr Christopher Bassey said some of the arrested suspects had been released while those involved would be charged to court.