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Lagos: Two kids, dog found dead inside freezer

Residents of Ikorodu in Lagos were on Sunday thrown into mourning when the corpses of two children and a dog were found in a freezer.

The incident, according to the News Agency of Nigeria (NAN), occurred at 2, Christian Onoja Street, Igbogbo in Igbogbo-Baiyeku Local Government Development Area at 4.30p.m.

A neighbour, who preferred anonymity, said the children, Emmanuel Edeh (7) and Darasimi Edeh, female (4) and their father, Mr. Michael Edeh, were at home on the day of the incident.

"On Sunday afternoon, we were alerted by their father who emerged from within the house asking about the whereabouts of his children.

"We were surprised because their father is always at home with the kids when their mother goes about her trading.

"So, when their father came asking us (neighbours) about where his children were, we all began to search the neighbourhood for them, but could not find them," the neighbour said.

The neighbour added that when initial efforts to locate the children proved abortive, a call was put through to the mother of the kids, who came running down to their residence.

"Their mother was visibly disturbed upon arrival and immediately began to

search for them, this time, in the house.

"After a while she came wailing that she discovered the bodies of children and their dog inside the freezer," the source added.

It was learnt that the children were taken to a hospital within the community, but were told that the children had died which prompted the incident being reported at the Igbogbo Police Division on Sunday evening.

When correspondent of NAN visited the Briggs-ton Hospital in Selewu, Igbogbo, where the children were taken, he was told that the children were dead on arrival.

"It is true that I received a case involving two children, but upon assessment I discovered that they had passed on and there was no resuscitation effort that could be performed on them.

"So, I advised the parents to go and conduct an autopsy to ascertain the real cause of death," Dr. Briggs Umezurike said.



The children

When contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), CSP Chike Oti, said the Commissioner of Police, Imohimi Edgal, had been informed about the incident.

He said: "I have confirmed the matter and the CP directed that the father of the deceased be brought to notice to know his ulterior motive or whether it is an act of negligence."

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The 1978 graduating set of the prestigious Methodist Boys High School (MBHS), Lagos, founded in 1878,