

Lagos: 1 feared dead as Police, traders clash in Alaba Rago

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At least one person was feared dead yesterday at the popular Alaba Rago market, when a mob attacked men of the Nigeria Police attached to Okokomaiko Divisional Police Headquarters.

According to the state's Police Public Relations Officer (PPRO), Benjamin Hundeyin, despatch of policemen had gone to the market to effect the arrest of a suspect, but came under heavy attack from a large number of traders.

Recall that in July 2022, the Lagos State governor, Babajide Olusola Sanwo-Olu rescinded the decision to relocate the market to pave way for modernisation, after a bloody clash with security officials.

"In a bid to tactically retreat from the armed mob attack, one of the officers fired his weapon, resulting in fatal injury to one of the attackers.

"A detailed investigation has commenced into the immediate and remote causes of the incident," Hundeyin's statement said.