

Security operatives kill 5 IPOB members demanding release of its leader, Kanu, in Aba

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The commercial city of Aba on Friday witnessed a new wave of disturbance as some security operatives said to be a Joint team of the Nigerian Army and the Police allegedly shot and killed some members of the Indigenous People of Biafra (IPOB).

The incident, which allegedly took the lives of about five members of the Pro-Biafra group, occurred at Osusu Road by Saint John's Anglican Church Aba while the group was on citywide demonstration for the release of their leader, Mazi Nnamdi Kanu.

Recall that the Abuja Division of the Court of Appeal, on October 13, 2022, discharged Kanu on the 15-count terrorism charges brought against him by the Federal Government.

The appellate court, in a

unanimous decision, faulted the process through which Kanu was brought before the Federal High Court to answer to 15-count terrorism charges.

Not satisfied, the FG filed a notice of appeal against the judgment of the Court of Appeal at the apex court and asked the court to stay the execution of the judgment discharging Kanu pending the hearing and determination of the appeal at the apex court.

The protest yesterday, however, became bloody, when the IPOB members, who were seen singing and chanting "Obey Court Order, Release Our Leader, Respect Your Own Court, The Court Has Freed Our Leader FG Why Holding Him," marched from mega roads like the Azikiwe Road towards the popular Amaogbonna and got to Osusu, where they were confronted by security operatives who opened fire on them.