

3 Killed as Cult Groups Clash at UNN

Three people were said to have lost their lives, weekend, following a clash between two rival cult groups at the premises of the University of Nigeria, Nsukka, Enugu State.

Sources close to the University said that after the killing, the remains of the victims were quickly removed while white sand was used to cover the blood stains at the spots.

It was gathered that one of the victims, described as Olisa Ozioko, a photographer who had a video coverage outfit at Obuechara Junction, Nsukka had his head chopped off from his body. Eye witness account said

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that Ozioko's body was seen on display at a junction opposite the Freedom Square inside the campus.

According to the account, his assailants left a note after killing him, saying that the rest of the body could be found at Nru Junction, also near the University town. Two other victims, it was gathered, were killed in a beer parlour at No. 2 Odobido street, Odenigbo in the town, a few kilometres from the University.

Although the names of the victims could not be ascertained as at the time of going to press, sources

said they were killed about seven hours after the murder of Ozioko, in what observers see as a likely reprisal.

When contacted, Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Mike Abatam confirmed the story, but said he was not sure of the exact number of those who were killed during the cult war.

Abatam said that the Police were still carrying out investigation on the incident, adding that the Police would bring the offenders to book.

However, it was gathered that the family of Ozioko had already applied for police permit to take the remains of Ozioko for burial at Obuechara village, near the University.