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### **A'Ibom Police Investigate Retired Army Officer over Son's Death**

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By Okon Bassey in Uyo

Akwa Ibom State police have commenced investigations into the circumstances surrounding the macheting of his first son to death by a retired Army officer.

THISDAY gathered that the incident happened on October 12 when the retired army officer, Mr. Clement Tom Iboko, accused the son, Iboko Clement Iboko, of assaulting him.

The senior Iboko, 65, who resides around Strabag Junction, Ikot Okudom Village, Okon Eket, Eket Local Government Area of the state, has since been arrested and is presently under going interrogations.

According to sources, the deceased had approached his father to find out when the corpse of his mother who died four years ago and was still being kept in the mortuary, would be buried.

Sources said the little Iboko was forced to approach the father to find out when the mother would be buried on hearing official government announcement for mass burial of abandoned corpses in the mortuary in the state.

The retired officer who had since married another woman was said to have tricked the son to a meeting in his house at Okon Eket village over alleged plan for the mother burial where he (father) used machete to cut him (son) into pieces.

The sources said the neighbours were attracted to the scene when they saw blood flowing outside from the door of the retired army officer and on getting to the room they observed that the father had already killed his son.

The retired army officer was said to have escaped when neighbours invaded the room, but he was later traced and arrested by the Special Anti-Robbery Squad (SARS) in Eket.

The State Police Public Reaction Officer (PPRO), DSP Etim Dickson, confirmed the incident, saying the case has been transferred to the state CID for thorough investigation.

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