

# Udenwa's convoy in auto-crash

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A COMMERCIAL motorcyclist and his passenger were weekend burnt to death, while some others, including one Government House, Owerri, driver, are receiving treatment in undisclosed hospitals, following multiple road traffic accident at Elele, Rivers State involving the convoy of Imo State governor, Chief Achike Udenwa.

Confirming the story when he was reached on his mobile telephone, the chief press secretary to the governor, Sir Bright Nwelue, said that Udenwa was not in the convoy when the accident occurred. He however told *Sunday Vanguard* that the information he gathered from Government House staff revealed that the motorcyclist was hit by a vehicle in the fleet of Rivers State Transport Company (RTC) that was heading towards Owerri, adding that the *Okada* operator then crashed into the convoy.

Speaking also on the issue, the

• *Aides injured; motorcyclist, passenger killed*

Commissioner for Information, Sir George Eguh, lamented that it would have been a bleak weekend for Imo people but for the intervention of God.

"The governor's aides were travelling to Port Harcourt International Airport to pick His Excellency, who was at the time returning from Abuja, when the accident occurred at Elele", Eguh said. According to the commissioner, "the motorcyclist, who was carrying a jerry-can of petrol, was knocked by an on-

coming vehicle and the fuel instantly exploded into balls of fire, on making contact with the convoy".

He said the security vehicle immediately following the pilot car, a Peugeot 504 station wagon in the convoy, got burnt in the process, while some other cars either rammed into each other or somersaulted in the nearby bush.

"A Peugeot 504 station wagon car was burnt while other cars in the convoy, in the bid to avoid the balls of fire, rammed into each other or ended up in nearby bushes. One of the jeeps in the convoy was badly damaged in the process", Uguh recounted.

## Police still hold Aregbesola despite court order — Oranmiyan

THIRTYSIX hours after obtaining an interim order from a court of law to enforce his

that the interim order granted last Thursday by a Lagos High Court has been violated