

Stop attacking our members — AC

ABUJA—THE National Executive Committee of the Action Congress (AC) has called for immediate cessation of violence allegedly directed at its members throughout the country, especially in Kogi, Akwa Ibom and Osun States.

In a communique at the end of a meeting in Abuja, the party said: The INEC, police and the PDP governments have always constituted obstacles to the petitions filed by our members at

the tribunals. For Example, in Benue state, six of our members have been murdered in cold blood.

Citing **Kogi State**, the party said: The tribunal in Kogi has been invaded by PDP thugs, who always overpower the police by arrangement. A key witness in one of our cases was also murdered in cold blood, and yet no arrest has been made by the police. The principal witness, Victor Obafave, was killed 18th August

2007 by those who were bent on sabotaging the petition before the tribunal in Lokoja.

With a PDP victory at the House of Assembly nullified, and the result from one of the two local councils that make up a federal constituency in the state annulled, the PDP apparently became jittery that it was going to also lose the House of Representatives seat, hence it resorted to self help to prevent that from happening by killing the principal witness.