

Two feared dead as PDP supporters clash in Ebonyi

ABAKALIKI — TWO persons were confirmed dead yesterday by the police in a crisis among PDP supporters at Ugwuagu-Afikpo in Afikpo North Local Government Area of Ebonyi.

A ward primary election in the area in respect of the forthcoming local government election was said to have been disputed by two factions within the party.

A reliable source said the faction that lost in the election had masterminded the killing of one Ikechukwu Eze, a student of a tertiary institution.

He said Eze's death led to a reprisal attack by the other group, which resulted in the lynching of another youth suspected to have shot the first victim.

It was gathered that the crisis also led to looting and burning of houses in the area.

The Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Fedrick Nnudan, confirmed the deaths in an interview.

He said policemen had been drafted to the area to maintain law and order, while investigations to unravel the cause of the killings had commenced.