

# Naval staff hacks man to death

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**S**APELE—A 28-year-old native of Amuogodo quarters, Sapele in Delta state, identified as Edward Iboyikporo was hacked to death, this weekend, by naval personnel, attached to the Urhiapele Naval Training College, Ogorode at an eatery in the municipality.

The naval staff is presently on the run but the Divisional Police Officer (DPO) in the area, Danjuma Kronda has ordered a manhunt for him.

*Vanguard* learnt that the naval officer and some of his colleagues went to devour some bottles of drink at the eating place, called "Point and Kill," when the suspect opened a bottle of beer and started spraying the content around. It splashed on the deceased who immediately protested.

But for having the impudence to question why the liquid content was sprayed on him, one of the naval personnel gave him a death-blow just as others joined in pummeling him.

An eye witness told *Vanguard* that the deceased was stabbed severally by the fleeing naval officer who allegedly drew a knife from his pocket.

In the words of the source, "It is incredible but he continued daggering him, as if to make sure that he was dead before he left him and after the incident, the naval men commandeered a vehicle and escaped to their base at Ogorode, leaving Edward in a pool of his blood."

Angry residents invaded the eatery and arrested both the managing director and his manager who were later handed over to the police.

The police in their usual style swooped on the residents of the Amugodo area of Sapele, ostensibly in search of the naval personnel, who, from available information, escaped to the naval base in Ogorode with his colleagues.