

# Ritualists confess killing victims in Benin

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**B**ENIN—THE two suspected ritualists who were yesterday paraded by the police over their involvement in the killing of persons around the King Square, Benin, have confessed the method that they have adopted in the killing of their victims.

In an interview with journalists, one of the suspects who gave his name as Festus Evabor from Ozororo, Isoko North Local Government Area of Delta State, denied killing anyone, even as he spoke incoherently, but regretted that

the hut where he had lived to execute his dastard acts was destroyed.

However, the female accomplice, Patience Overo, 34, who claimed to have hailed from Lagos and Ondo State and a mother of three, told journalists that her male accomplice had indeed killed three people at the scene, located at the back of the Central Hospital Morgue at the King Square.

She said the first victim was a mad woman, whom Evabor forcefully dragged from the adjacent Oba Market, their operational base where he hit her with an iron.

She further disclosed that they were beggars, explained that the male suspect forcefully married her a month ago after she divorced her husband in Lagos.

She said her husband killed the second victim also with an iron while the third victim, Mopolo who she said was her husband's friend who had come to demand for the payment of N500 loan, was killed with a cutlass on the eve of their arrest by the police.

She said each time she had quarrel with her husband for killing people, he will say that he was doing that to survive.