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Police arrest teenager over death of bus conductor

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By Evelyn Usman

The Police in Lagos have arrested a 16-year-old boy in connection with the alleged death of a bus conductor, Tuesday, along the Badagry expressway, Lagos.

The teenager who just completed his Junior Secondary School 3 examination, was alleged to have pushed the deceased from a fast moving commercial bus around Volks bus-stop.

Report said the suspect who is currently being interrogated by operatives of the Homicide Section of the State Criminal Investigation Department (SCID), Panti, Yaba, boarded the commercial bus from Maza-Maza area, heading for Okoko.

But midway into the journey, the suspect identified as Ebuka Odebatu was said to have left the back seat for the second row, an action that reportedly caused an argument between him and the bus conductor who said he was blocking the way for other passengers.

The incident that signalled the peril ahead reportedly occurred when the conductor simply identified as Emmanuel Chinwe lifted the seat to allow a passenger in, only for the seat to hit Ebuka, thereby igniting the already tensed animosity between the duo.

Ebuka was said to have dropped the seat, disallowing the passenger in and in response, the bus conductor reportedly hit him. In retaliation, Ebuka reportedly pushed the bus conductor out of the fast moving vehicle.

The bus conductor was said to have been rushed to the hospital but gave up the ghost yesterday.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Frank Mba, said the suspect would soon be charged to court.

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