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Bid by PDP to upturn the decision of the Tribunal failed both at the Appeal and Supreme courts.

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"In the result, the two issues are both resolved in favour of the appellant

## Unknown gunmen kill businessman in Ebonyi

## BY PETER OKUTU

Amike community in Ohaukwu local government area of Ebonyi state were yesterday thrown into mourning as unknown gunmen shot and killed one Mr Chukwudi Uto, at 135 Ezzamgbo, opposite the council headquarters.

The victim, Chukwudi, is a cement dealer to Chief Michael Nwankwo who is the Principal Secretary to Governor Martin Elechi.

Eyewitness stated that the incident happened

around 9:30pm, when the victim and his two other friends were rejoicing at a joint for journey mercies from Lagos state, where he (the victim) went to buy Datsun truck for his cement business, when the killers shot him in the midst of other two. The source said that the two gunmen invaded the drinking bar and demanded for the key of the truck so that no person would use the vehicle to pursue them. They later shot him three times on the chest before they veered off through

Abakaliki route. According to the eye witness, "they were three persons drinking wine at a joint at 135 Ezzamgbo, where they were celebrating their successful journey to and fro Lagos on the purchase of Datsun truck for his cement business.

"As they were still drinking, around 9:30pm on Thursday, when two gunmen invaded the area with ash bus and demanded for the key of the vehicle. They collected it and later shot him three times on the chest".

He said that the corpse has been deposited at undisclosed mortuary.

Meanwhile, when contacted, the chairman of Ohaukwu local government, Mrs Chinyere Elom confirmed the incident.

She said efforts were on top gear to track down the perpetrators of the dastardly act, adding that she was going to the police headquarters in Abakaliki to brief the Commissioner of Police, Mr Maigari Dikko over the incident.