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One shot dead in Ambrose Ali varsity students poll

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THERE was tension in Ekpoma after one student of Ambrose Alli University (AAU) was shot dead during a clash by rival cult groups.

Meanwhile, soldiers and battle ready mobile policemen took over the university, yesterday, following the crisis which, Sunday Vanguard learnt, was as a result of the Students Union Government (SUG) election.

Edo State Police Commissioner, Mr Foluso Adebajo, who confirmed that one person was shot dead, disclosed that about seven persons had been arrested and vowed to crack down on the perpetrators of the violence.

It was learnt that the crisis stemmed from the battle by rival cult groups in the university determined to impose their members as leaders of the SUG. Some armed students were said to have started the shooting at about 5pm on Friday at the university gate.

The fight later moved to the university town as members of the rival cult groups commenced house to house search of their targets. It was in that process that one student was shot dead. The shooting continued prompting the Edo CP to deploy more policemen to the area.

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