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Okada man beats 2-yr-old son to death

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LAGOS— An irate mob, yesterday, attempted to set a building on Fashola Street, Ejigbo, ablaze, where one of its occupants was alleged to have beaten his two year old son to death.

The suspect, identified as Oni Mama, a commercial motorcyclist, was alleged to have secretly buried the remains of his son around the area.

Report said the child, apparently hungry, was seen crying and chasing his father who was about moving out on his motorcycle, last Friday.

Out of anger, his father was said to have dragged him inside and allegedly hit him several times until he died.

Report said Oni Mama was later seen carrying a sack dripping with blood out of the building, consequent upon which curious tenants alerted policemen at Ejigbo.

According to reports, the suspect's wife abandoned him few months ago for another man in the same Orilowo Ejigbo area.

Since then, the child was reportedly left in the care of any available neighbour, while his father went out to work.

Policemen at Ejigbo Division were said to have visited Oni Mama's one room apartment and conducted a search. But their findings could not be ascertained.

They were, however, said to still be on the look out for the suspect whose whereabouts was unknown at press time. Some of the tenants were said to have been taken to the station, where their statements were taken.

One of them reportedly said that the fleeing suspect was in the habit of beating his son, threatening that even if he killed him no one would do anything to him.

Attempts to reach the Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, Ngozi Braide, on phone to ascertain the extent of Police investigation were unsuccessful.