



DEMOLITION: *Lagos State Government demolished part of veteran journalist, Uncle Bisi Lawrence's property along Gaskiya Road in Ijora area of Lagos State, yesterday. PHOTO: Bunmi Azeez.*

15-year-old dies aborting 5-month pregnancy; lover docked

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LAGOS—A 20-year-old man, Sodiq Sulaimon, yesterday appeared before an Ikeja High Court for allegedly procuring abortion for his 15-year-old lover (names withheld), who died in the process.

The defendant is facing a one-count charge of manslaughter brought against him by Lagos State Government, for which he pleaded not guilty.

"Sodiq Sulaimon, on or before December 11, 2012, about 4p.m., at 7 Oriokuta Street, Imota, Ikorodu Lagos, in the Ikeja Judicial Division, did

unlawfully killed girl (names withheld) by procuring abortion for her," the charge stated.

At the resumed hearing, a witness, Sergeant Elizabeth Osikanlu, told the presiding judge, Justice K. A. Jose, that the matter was referred to her after one Femi Adegboyega came to the station to report that

the defendant impregnated his niece and gave her drugs to abort a five-month-old pregnancy.

According to her, the defendant admitted having sexual intercourse with the deceased sometime in October 2012 and giving her two tablets to prevent pregnancy.

Prosecutions for legal advice.

Soladoye granted the defendant N200,000 bail with two sureties in like sum and adjourned the case to June 29.

FOOTNOTES.

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December 21, 2012, at the above mentioned address.

He said the defendant was the choirmaster in a