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Landlord, wife arrested for tenant's death over quit notice

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EFFURUN—Delta State Police Command is currently investigating circumstances surrounding the alleged killing of one Iriguvwedo Joshua by his landlord, Mr. Blessing Omasehe.

The victim, who until his death, was a driver and machine operator at a private water factory located by Aziza Junction, along Warri-Sapele Road, was alleged to have died from wounds sustained from the attack at his Chinkelly Street residence, Ekpan, Uvwie Local Government Area of the state.

Recounting the incident that led to the death of the victim, his elder brother, Abraham Iriguvwedo, yesterday told newsmen that his brother was killed with a cutlass on Friday by his landlord over a fracas relating to a quit notice served on him by the landlord, although Joshua's rent was yet to expire.

Abraham explained that he was called at about 11:30pm on Friday by the victim's girlfriend, informing him that his brother bled to death at the scene of the incident.

According to Abraham, his brother had, earlier in the day, had a fight with his landlord over an extension attached to his one-bedroom apartment, which was resolved when the late Joshua fled the house, only to be attacked in the evening when he returned home to pick some of his clothings.

Confirming the arrest of the landlord and his wife, a source in Ekpan Police Station stated that the suspect and his wife were in police custody and would soon be transferred to the state police headquarters for further investigation.

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