Alizee was killed during a fight with Danish husband—Sister

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LAGOS—Fresh facts have emerged on how rising Nigerian singer, Zainab Alizee Nielsen and her three-year-old daughter, Petra, were allegedly murdered by her Danish husband, Peter Nielsen, at their Banana Island residence, Ikoyi, Lagos, last Thursday.

This followed a revelation that the couple was engaged in a brawl in their bedroom at Block 4, Flat 17, Bellasta Towers. Information at Vanguard's disposal revealed that the fight was not their first.



Late Zainab Alizee Nielsen

The 53-year-old Danish, Peter Nielsen, initially denied culpability in the murder, stating rather that he woke up to find the bodies in the kitchen and that they could have been suffocated by gas.

However, investigation carried out by the Police showed that bodies of mother and child were dragged from the bedroom, where the fight started, to the kitchen.

Eyewitness' account

The Danish man's claim was also countered by late Zainab's younger sister, Madaki Gift, who stated that she witnessed the fight that led to her sister's demise.

The 13-year-old Gift told the Police that she was woken up from sleep with the shout of help from her sister's bedroom at about 4a.m. on the day.

According to her, "my name is Madaki Gift, late Zainab's sister. The incident happened over night after my late sister had finished preparing food for her husband. The housemaid went to her own room to sleep after cooking and I was the last person to leave the kitchen.

"After a while, there was a fight between my sister and her husband in their bedroom. I heard her shouting 'help,' 'help.' I woke my younger sister up and asked her if she also heard the shout for help.

"Later, I saw the man hitting my sister's head on the floor. I tried to rush outside to call neighbours to come to my sister's rescue, but discovered that the doors were all locked. By the time we got there later in the morning she was dead."

