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Mozambique-based Nigerian murdered during election in Imo

By Chinonso Alozie

WERRI—
RELATIVES of Mozambique-based Uchenna Aguguo, who came to Nigeria during the elections to exercise his franchise, have cried out for justice over the murder of Aguguo, who was killed at a polling unit in Imo State where he had gone to cast his vote during the just concluded governorship and House of Assembly elections.

Narrating their pains in Owerri, Chimezie Odoemena, Director Media and Strategy, to Victor Obinna Ogazie, Njaba Constituency candidate to Imo House of Assembly under the All Progressives Grand Alliance, APGA, called on politicians to end killing of innocent citizens.

Aguguo was said to have been murdered at Polling unit 004, Umuaka Ward 4, in his Amiyi community in Njaba Local Government Area of the state.

Odoemena said that the deceased was shot dead by suspected political assassins as he was trying to alight from his car to cast his vote, alleging that the political thugs also moved to Uba community to intimidate voters among other areas.

He said: "What we are calling for now is total cancellation of the election. We are pleading that the security agencies in the state investigate the killing of our brother. We want those who planned this dastardly act to be exposed and face the law."

He was worried that the Independent National Electoral Commission, INEC, had declared a winner for the Njaba State Constituency after 13 polling units were cancelled, adding that the votes in the said polling units were over 6,000, claiming that Peoples Democratic Party, PDP, candidate, Uju Onwudiwe

could not have emerged winner.

Odoemena said APGA had called for the total cancellation of the election.

"On the day of the election, he was shot dead by thugs of our opponents at Amiyi community where he came to cast his vote. They also took their assassination attempt to Uba community, our candidate's home town.

"We are calling on INEC to cancel the entire election. We are wondering why after 13 polling units were cancelled with over 6,000 votes, INEC went ahead to declare the candidate of AA, Uju Onwudiwe the winner," Odoemena said.

