

# Flood kills 2 persons in A-Ibom

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**UYO**—TWO bodies reportedly washed away by flood, Sunday evening, were recovered from a gutter, yesterday, along Atiku Abubakar Lane by GWT fuel station in Uyo, Akwa Ibom State capital.

Recall that there was a down pour Sunday night with many streets and compounds flooded.

A resident, Uduak Mbakara, disclosed that the victims could not be unidentified as they were not residents of the area.

Mbakara added that residents decided to call the police when the bodies were discovered and that the police responded promptly and evacuated the corpses.

"We woke up this morning (yesterday) to find the corpses of a man and a woman in the gutter along Atiku Abubakar Lane. Since

we could not identify them, we called the police, who came and carried the corpses away," she said.

Contacted, the state Police Public Relations Officer, Odiko MacDon, confirmed the incident, saying the police have deposited them in an undisclosed morgue.

MacDon said the police believe that the victims must have been electrocuted by the naked electrical wires inside the gutter as a result of a fallen electrical pole.

"Preliminary investigation reveals that the victims were electrocuted because some fallen electrical poles were found around the area, giving the impression that they died of electrocution. But our investigations have not been concluded," he stated.