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## Dead girl found under bed in Delta hotel room

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SAPELE—THE corpse of a 24year-old girl found under a, bed in a hotel room at the Amukpe area of Sapele, Delta State, has thrown the community into palpable fear.

The girl, simply known as Abina or Christy, was found covered with a bed sheet underneath the bed.

This is happening barely two weeks after another girl, Miss Miracle Laju, died in an hotel room close to the one where Abina's corpse was found in

almost the same way.

A source told *Vanguard* the deceased was a sex worker, who had been missing for two days before her corpse was found on Monday evening.

According to the source, "we have been looking for her and yesterday(Sunday) her sister came looking for her too, saying calls to her lines were not going through and that they couldn't find her.

"Some of her people contacted a herbalist, who told them to bring N100,000, telling them she was still alive, only for her body to be discovered today (Monday)."

A girl, Sandra, who described herself as a "hustler" in the hotel said: "Before the discovery, other customers had lodged in the same room, unknown to them there was a corpse under the bed.

"A customer, who came to lodge, could not withstand the foul smell in the room, which prompted the management of the hotel to start searching. That was when they found the corpse carefully wrapped with a bed sheet under the bed."

A senior Police officer at the Sapele Area Command confirmed

the incident, adding that he is not authorised to speak on the issue, as the incident is still under investigation.

Efforts to reach Delta State Police Public Relations Officer, DSP Onome Onovwakpoyeya, were not successful at press time.

Meanwhile, the Police, Vanguard learned, have intensified investigation to unearth the mystery behind the death of the girl and bring the perpetrators to book, while the corpse has been deposited in Central Hospital's morque.