

3 Adoption saga: Man raises alarm over missing brother in Imo

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A 58-year-old man, Chukwuemeka Obilor, has raised alarm over the mysterious disappearance of his brother, Chigozie Obilor, following disputes that arose over the inheritance of their late father's property in Umudim community of Imo State. Chukwuemeka is pointing an accusing finger at some members of the community and his kinsmen, who he alleged, connived to deny him his inheritance as an adopted son.

Describing the family's position as an act of injustice, Chukwuemeka explained that trouble started after their father died and his biological son, Chigozie, mysteriously disappeared in 2011.

He said: "They have continued to accuse me of masterminding the kidnap of Chigozie Obilor (Mazi Obilor's biological son), which led to his mysterious disappearance fill date because I want to inherit our late father's estate alone."

"Apart from peddling lies and falsehood, they have continued to

threaten my life, making concerted efforts to eliminate all members of my family. They have killed my brother, Chinedu Obilor, and also continued to tarnish our image and undermine the good services my brother and I have rendered to our community.

"I have decided to set the records straight by telling the world and Umudim community that my late brother and I were legally adopted by late Mazi Damion Obilor. I have also decided to make available copies of our adoption confirmation

documents, which have been in my custody since the demise of our father.

"I will also use this opportunity to call on security agencies to unravel the mystery surrounding my brother's mysterious disappearance and keep a check on trespassers into our father's property.

"All their efforts to forcefully cajole me to relinquish my family's property must fail because I am the first son of the family and I am entitled to inherit the family estate."