

Suspected cultists kill soldier in Bayelsa

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Suspected members of a notorious cult group, identified as Icelanders, Thursday night shot dead a soldier attached to the headquarters of the security outfit, code named Operation Delta Safe, OPDS, located within Igbogene axis of Yenagoa, Bayelsa State capital.

Although reasons for the dastardly act could not be verified, however, it was gathered that the deceased soldier, a corporal by rank, was reportedly shot some few meters away from the OPDS Headquarters around 2am over an alleged undisclosed deal that went awry.

It was gathered that the deceased soldier, a corporal by rank, was a personnel of the 16th Brigade of the Nigerian Army, Yenagoa detailed to the OPDS Headquarters.

A security source said the deceased soldier was shot close to the Igbogene junction axis of the Melford Okilo Road, and could not explain where the deceased was going to at that odd hours.

Another community source said he overheard the gunmen making a call to the deceased to come out from the OPDS headquarters like a familiar person to them.

"They called him on the phone and when he got close to them, they opened fire on him and zoomed off. The way it happened it seems they have known one another. But we cannot explain what happened.