



## 3 feared killed in Lagos cult clash

Scores injured, over50 cars destroyed

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fight broke out between rival cultists in Mushin area of Lagos State, with three persons feared dead and scores injured.

Over 50 vehicles were destroyed by

the rampaging cultists.

One of those killed was an alleged member of the Eiye confraternity. The unidentified man was said to have been shot in a bar on Sunday, at Ilupeju area of Lagos, by an Aiye confraternity member.

In retaliation, members of the slain man reportedly stormed Mushin to attack an Aiye member identified simply as Plantain, Monday morning. They announced their presence with sporadic gunshots and attacked anyone at sight. Shop owners hurriedly locked up for the day, until the arrival of policemen.

As residents were recovering from the attack, *Eiye* members reportedly stormed Mushin around 11 pm, the same day. This time around, they were said to have shattered vehicles parked on the streets with bullets. They also set some houses aflame and looted shops, causing frightened residents to flee their abodes.

Aresident, who simply gave her name as Mama Monday, said: "We have not slept since Monday. Ilupeju, Shyllon and Adeshiyan areas have been engulfed in this fracas. My husband's two cars were affected. What have innocent persons done to deserve this?"

"They came for those who killed their members but ended up attacking innocent persons. Police should please come to our rescue and get them arrested.

"They even prevented men of the fire service from putting out the fire. What a wicked act."

As at 7.30 pm, yesterday, policemen were still patrolling the area to avoid any reprisal attack.

The Lagos State Police Public Relations Officer, CSP Ade Ajisebutu, could not be reached to ascertain if there was any arrest.