Police arrest 2 for allegedly killing, burying 20-year-old boy in Imo

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The Imo State Police Command on Friday said it has arrested two persons, one Lambert Osundu and Racheal Osundu, from Umuduruihiako Umueze II in Ehime Mbano Local Government Area of Imo State, for allegedly killing and burying their younger brother, a 20-year-old boy, Chukwuebuka Osundu.

The Imo State Police Commissioner, Hussani Rabiu, disclosed this to newsmen in Owerri, while announcing the arrests of the suspects in connection with the said murder case last Tuesday.

The Police said the arrests of the suspects were based on intelligence they got from the community as well as meeting with some community leaders, among which the chairman of Umuezealagwu Umuduruekwe in Ehime Mbano, Robert Anyanwu.

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this report, Police said the suspect had not given any reason for his action.

But different sources who epoke to Saturday Vanguard from the affected community linked the incident to land matters, family disagreement on a sharing formula on family properties.

According to the Police, "Following credible information received by the Imo State Police Command of conspiracy and suspected murder of a young boy by his family members and buried him in a shallow grave in their compound. The Commissioner of Police, CP Rabiu Hussaini psc, immediately dispatched detectives to Ehime Mbano LGA of Imo State, the alleged scene of the crime.

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I, MAYOR VICTORY hereby confirm that the date of birth on my International Passport issued on the 9th day of March, 2015 by Nigerian Immigration Service Authority in Benin City was wrongly inserted as 29th day of June, 1994 instead of 29th day of June, 1996. Also, I wish to remove the name "OTEGA" from the said International Passport. General public and any authority concerned should please take note.

"On arrival, the Command's Operatives on intelligence interrogated one Robert Anyanwu 'Male' chairman of Umuezealagwu Umuduruekwe in Ehime Mbano Local Government Area of Imo State. And it was revealed that on 14/9/2021 at about 1200 hours, the Osundu family comprising of Lambert Osundu 'Male', Ndubuisi Osundu "Male" and Rachael Osundu "Female" all of Umuduruihiako Umueze II in Ehime Mbano local government area of Imo State, conspired and beat their youngest brother, Chukwuebuka Osundu "Male" aged 20 years to die for yet to confirmed reason(s).

"After killing him, the father of the deceased with the assistance of Ndubuisi Osundu carried the lifeless body to the back of their compound, dug a shallow grave and secretly buried the corpse. When the villagers asked the family of their sons whereabouts, they told them that he had travelled to Ghana to seek greener pastures."

However, the Police said: "With the support of the community, we were able to arrest two suspects, Lambert Osundu and Racheal Osun. Presently, they are undergoing interrogation and have made useful statements that will lead to the arrest of other family members on the run."

