

Student flees after allegedly stabbing colleague to death in A/Ibom

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An SS2 student of Community Comprehensive Secondary School, CCSS, Aka Ofot, in Uyo local government area of Akwa Ibom State, James Elijah Adoke, 18, has been stabbed to death allegedly by Samuel Effiong Archibong, in SS3, during a fight.

It was gathered that the incident occurred on Thursday during school hours.

Archibong, who was said to have been expelled from the school over cult-related issues had visited CCSS and, when a fight ensued between both of them, he brought out a knife and stabbed Adoke.

A student of the school, who spoke to newsmen, said Adoke died immediately as he lost so much blood before he could be rushed to hospital.

The student linked the incident to lingering cult-related rivalry between SS3 and SS2 students of the school.

Some of them even claimed that after Adoke was stabbed to death two other students, were also killed on Friday as a result of the cult rivalry.

Meanwhile the school has been shut down indefinitely by Akwa Ibom State government.

Some angry SS2 students of the school reportedly stormed Archibong's father's house, destroying the build-

ing when they didn't find him at home.

Reacting to the situation weekend, Akwa Ibom State Police Command, described it as barbaric, condemnable and regrettable.

The Police Public Relations Officer, Mr. Odiko MacDon in a statement made available to newsmen Friday evening in Uyo, entitled: 'Another Colossal Loss', stressed that schools as arenas of excellent knowledge acquisition should not only be serene but secured and habitable.

"As a Command, we have to send patrol teams to some secondary schools after closing hours to ensure that students can go home safely, else

a fight may ensue is not only painful but condemnable.

"It is again regrettable, that yesterday 10/03/2022, a student of Aka Community Secondary, one Samuel Effiong Achibong stabbed his mate, 18 years old James Elijah Adoke, to death. This is not the first time we have witnessed an act of this nature and it is totally unacceptable.

"The Commissioner of Police, Andrew Amiengheme, is miffed and has condemned the barbaric act. He has called on parents to enshrine germane family values while school authorities are to quickly and discreetly report suspected students with traits of cultism and misdemeanor".