

## **Suspected cultists allegedly kill youth leader in Akwa Ibom**

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THE youth President of Inen  
clan, in Oruk Anam local  
government area of Akwa Ibom  
state, Hezekiah John Adaidon,  
was reportedly beheaded by  
suspected cultists Sunday in the  
area.

It was gathered that the  
suspected cultists known to the  
deceased had visited him and as  
they were still drinking another  
group arrived at the scene and  
descended on the victim Sunday  
night.

He was reportedly dragged to a corner in his compound, and beaten to a stupor before cutting off his head and leaving the headless body in the pool of his blood.

It was further gathered that the hoodlums also broke into his apartment and carted away valuable items and poured soup which the wife cooked on her head before escaping with the head of her husband.

A source said: "Till now we can not understand what led to the incident. The cultists arrived at the compound at a very odd hour in the night and since they were known by the youth president, he offered them drinks.

"While they were drinking at about 1:00 am another group well armed arrived and were very violent as they dragged the victim to a corner and killed him.

"The most annoying thing was that they beheaded him and escaped with the head after they must have tortured the wife. They even poured the soup which she cooked on her head after beating her mercilessly"

The state Police Public Relations Officer, Mr Odiko MacDon, described the killing of the youth president as barbaric, adding that the perpetrators can not escape unpunished.

MacDon said the Commissioner of Police Olatoye Durosinmi has ordered the State Criminal and Investigation Department (SCID) to commence investigation into the incident.

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