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Family of killed 28-year-old graduate seeks justice, alleges cover-up

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BENIN CITY—FAMILY of 28-year-old Godsent Obhafuoso, has called on the Inspector General of Police, Alkali Baba, to prevail on the Assistant Inspector General of Police, AIG, Zone 5, to investigate the murder of their son by a policeman.

They alleged that the policeman who killed their son on August 13, 2022, was not on duty, but was escorting a prominent man to Uromi, Esan North East Local Government Area of Edo state, when he fired shots in the cause of a ceremony, where bullets hit their son and died.

In a petition to the IG, the family through their lawyer, Olayiwola Afolabi, alleged that the Zone was foot-dragging in the investigation of the matter.

The family said on the 13th day of August 2022, Godsent Obhafuoso accompanied his master identified as Mr Augustine Iyoha to Uromi for the burial of his mother-in-law and in the process, one Mr Sunday Obhanogho arrived with a policeman from the Area Command in Uromi, Inspt. S. O. Ayemere, and that while he was recording the party and also assisting his master to collect money being sprayed him, the policemen released gunshots that hit a cameraman and also hit the ribs of Godsent and was pronounced dead as brought in at the Irrua Specialist Teaching Hospital.

Elder brother to Godsent, Michael Obhafuoso, told journalists in Benin City, yesterday, "We want justice for

my late brother. I forwarded a petition to AIG Zone 5 on the 17th of August 2022 and till now, nothing has been done on the matter.



•Late Obhafuoso.