



## One killed in Bayelsa cult clash

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**YENAGOA**—A reprisal clash between two rival cult groups on Tuesday night has claimed one life at the Amarata suburb of Yenagoa, Bayelsa State capital.

The victim was identified as Victor Namabebe, aged 28.

It was learned that a fierce fight broke out in the area about 8p.m., between the *Greenlanders* and *Icelanders* leading to the death of the victim.

A resident, who spoke anonymously said some cultists suspected to be members of the *Greenlanders* stormed the Amarata/Ebis Mechanic axis of the state capital for a member of *Bobos* (*Icelanders*), who had allegedly crossed their path.

He added that the gangs armed with dangerous weapons were locked in clash, forcing residents, who were at the various viewing centres in the area for the champions league matches to run for safety.

The victim was reportedly left in the pool of his blood with various degree of head injuries.

Contacted on the development, Spokesman of the Bayelsa Police Command, Musa Mohammed, confirmed the incident.

He said the corpse of the deceased had been deposited at the morgue.

His words. "About 9p.m., one Chief Emmanuel Namabebe reported at the A Division of the Nigerian Police that his 28 year old son, Victor Namabebe, was found dead at Amarata area of the state capital.

"Police personnel from the A Division mobilised to the area and found the victim. Upon examination, he was found with various grievous injuries on the head.

"The corpse was evacuated and deposited at the morgue of the Federal Medical Centre, Yenagoa. Investigation is ongoing."