A'Ibom man, 23, confesses killing, burying motorcyclist in shallow grave
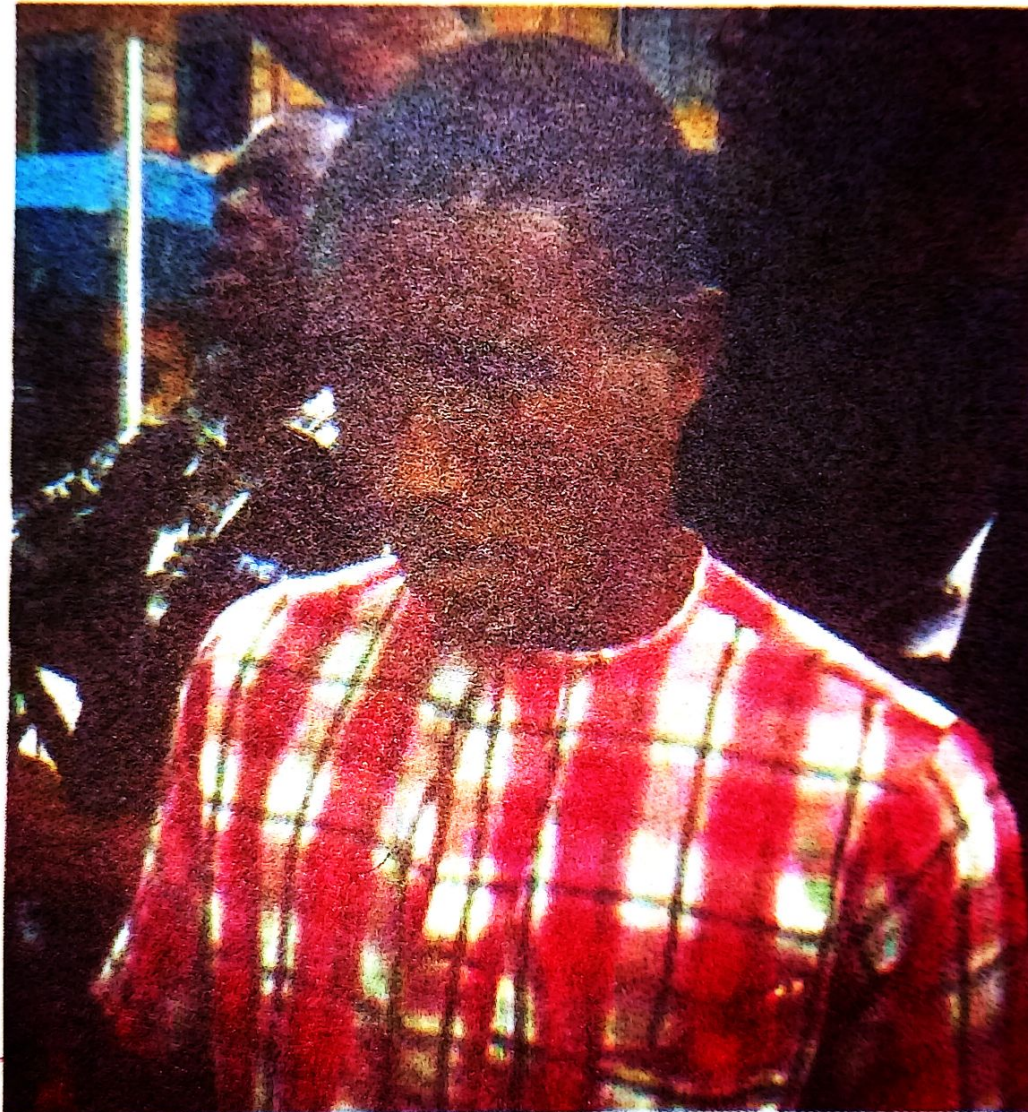
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UYO— A 23-year old man and an indigene of Ibiono Ibom Local Government Area of Akwa Ibom State, identified as Daniel Okon has confessed that he killed a commercial motorcyclist and buried him a shallow grave.

Okon, while fielding questions from newsmen, yesterday, at the police Headquarters, Ikot Akpan Abia, Uyo LGA of the state, disclosed that he used a knife to stab the motorcyclist identified as Saviour Effiong (45) to death, buried him and took away his motorcycle.

The murder and robbery suspect explained that the reason he killed his victim was just to steal his motorcycle and sell it to make some money.

He said: "I am from Ibiono Ibom LGA. I am 23 years old. I took the motorcyclist from Idoro Road and on the way, I used knife and stabbed him on the neck. After stabbing him to death, I buried him. I needed the

people? What is happening? I need long."

motorcycle. I was arrested when I was going to 'Nassarawa,' in Itam. I was looking for a buyer."

Parading Edem Okon alongside other criminal suspects, including 20 suspected vandals, the Commissioner of Police, Mr. Waheed Ayilara, who disclosed that Okon was arrested during 'a stop and search' operation, advised commercial motorcyclists to avoid taking their passengers to lonely places late in the night as criminals take advantage of such places to rob their victims.

His words: " On 12/7/2024 about 8:30p.m., operatives of the command on routine patrol accosted two suspects one Daniel Okon (23) and Samaila Salisu (20) on a motorcycle without identification number along Timber Market, Uyo.

"After rigorous interrogation, the rider (Okon) confessed that on 11/7/2024 about 9p.m., he paid a commercial motorcyclist on a ride from Idoro Road to Mbikpon Ikot Edim. That on getting to a lonely area, he hacked the rider to death with a matchet. Thereafter, he buried him in a shallow grave and went away with the motorcycle."

The suspect.