

Gunmen kill 50-yr-old monarch's son in Lagos

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LAGOS—The eldest son of the traditional ruler of Ajiran community, Agungi area, of Lekki, Lagos State, Demola Akinloye, was shot dead, yesterday, by a four-man armed gang on Chevron Drive Road, Lekki, Lagos.

The deceased, aged 50, was driving in his black Toyota Corolla car when the assailants, said to be in a white mini bus, intercepted him near the Bourdillon Court Estate gate.

Vanguard gathered that other road users hurriedly zoomed off in fear. Policemen who arrived later cordoned off the area.

Meanwhile, the shooting was confirmed by the spokesman for the Lagos State Police Command, Mr. Benjamin Hundeyin, yesterday night.

According to Hundeyin, Akinloye was attacked by four armed men in a white bus.

He said: "About 12:30p.m., a distress call was received at the station reporting that a man later identified as Demola Akinloye, aged 50 years, was attacked along Chevron Drive, Lekki, while driving his black Toyota Corolla near the Bourdillon Court Estate gate.

"The attackers, driving a white mini bus, shot and stabbed him to death.

"The scene has been visited. One spent cartridge was recovered, and the corpse had been moved to a morgue in Ajah, Lagos State, for preservation and autopsy.

"The case will be transferred to the SCIID Panti-Yaba for further investigation."

Vanguard gathered that the deceased was the first son of Tijani Akinloye, the Ojumu of Ajiran land, in the Ajiran community of Agungi Area, Lekki, Lagos State.

A notice by the estate community sighted by *Vanguard*, advised residents to avoid the area where the incident occurred.

It read: "This is to notify all residents that the Ajiran (Agungi) king's son was assassinated today along Chevron Drive (close to Ebano Supermarket) this morning.

"We, therefore urge our esteemed residents to avoid the Chevron area, Agungi, and Ajiran for their safety."