

Man seeks justice over alleged killing of his son by vigilante operative

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EX-DIRECTOR-GENERAL of Onitsha Chamber of Commerce, Industry, Mines and Agriculture, ONCCIMA, Mr Dominic Ajibo, has lamented the alleged killing by a member of Anambra State Vigilante Group, AVG of his 18-year-old son, John-Paul Ajibo.

The deceased was said to have been killed October 9, 2024, at Oluchukwu Oil and Gas Ltd, New Tarzan Junction, Nkpor Agu, Idemili North Local Government Area of Anambra State, where he was working as a pump attendant.

Addressing newsmen in Onitsha yesterday, Mr Ajibo alleged that his late son was hit by multiple bullets from the Pump Action Rifle of "a reckless AVG operative" at his chest, neck and hands at the Oluchukwu Oil and Gas Ltd, New Tarzan Junction, Nkpor."

Ajibo, who hails from Ndiagu, Oda Village, Alor-Uno in Nsukka Local Government Area of Enugu State, said he was told that the AVG operatives rifle exploded as he lost control of it when it fell, before hitting his son at several parts of his body.

Ajibo lamented that since the murder of his son on October 9, 2024, the Police have not effected any arrest, neither has the leadership of AVG contacted the family, but have all been carrying on as if nothing happened.

"My family has been left devastated, heart-broken, in anguish and sorrow over this avoidable tragedy. We are asking for justice to be done on this matter to assuage his blood, which was spilled for no justifiable cause whatsoever.

"Men and women of goodwill should come to our aid to bring the information about this tragedy to the attention of both the Federal and Prof. Chukwuma Soludo-led Anambra State government. We believe that it is only through these channels that we can obtain justice for my son."

However, when contacted, the Police Public Relations Officer, PPRO, Anambra Police Command, SP Tochukwu Ikenga, could not immediately confirm the incident, as he promised to make an inquiry and get back.