# Possible HIV Link to Papua New Guinean Burnt to Death

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A young girl in Papua New Guinea was burnt to death in what officials believe may be the latest sorcery killing in the country's lawless jungle highlands, a common punishment for women accused of sorcery, adultery or spreading HIV/AIDS, Times Online reports. The reason for her murder remains unknown.

According to the article, witnesses who saw the act near Mount Hagen in the Western Highlands told local Papua New Guinea newspaper The Port Courier that the girl was between 16 and 20 years old, and was stripped naked, gagged and tied to a truck, which was doused with gasoline before being set on fire.

"I don't know the right words to describe it, but it's barbaric. Can you find the best words to describe such acts that are rampant here?" said highlands police chief Simon Kauba.

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