

Section 33

- (1) Every person has a right to life, and no one shall be deprived intentionally of his life, save in execution of the sentence of a court in respect of a criminal offence of which he has been found guilty in Nigeria.
- (2) A person shall not be regarded as having been deprived of his life in contravention of this section, if he dies as a result of the use, to such extent and in such circumstances as are permitted by law, of such force as is reasonably necessary –
 - a. For the defence of any person from unlawful violence or for the defence of property;
 - b. In order to effect a lawful arrest or to prevent the escape of a person lawfully detained; or
 - c. For the purpose of suppressing a riot, insurrection or mutiny.