

ORHORO I



*His Royal Majesty Orhoro I
Orodje of Okpe Kingdom
(Reign: 1972-2004)*

Following the passage of Esezi II, and in accordance with the established rotational system, the Orhoro Ruling House was asked to present the successor to Esezi II. The Orhoro Ruling House elected Chief Domingo Amujaine Eyiyenrien and presented him to the Udogun Okpe for confirmation as the successor to Esezi II. His endorsement followed a 6-year hiatus and he was finally installed on December 30, 1972 as Orhoro I. Orhoro I was born in 1921. Prior to his ascension of the Orodjeship, Orhoro I had served in the Nigeria Police Force (1940 - 1952) and was a member of the Sapele Customary Court in 1961-1963, as well as a company director. The reign of Orhoro I continued the peaceful and progressive tempo established by Esezi II. Not only did Orhoro I foster internal cohesion of the Okpe people, he also played key role in conflict resolution affecting other ethnic groups in Delta State. He was the first Chairman of the Delta State Council of Traditional Rulers, a position which he used to foster goodwill and understanding among Delta's ethnic groups. He joined his ancestors in early 2004.