

Horror on streets of Germany: State of emergency declared as 80 men brawl with MACHETES

A HORRIFYING street battle between 60 men armed with machetes and metal pipes forcing a state of emergency to be declared in Duisburg.

Police were called to the Altmarkt area of the city over reports of the mass brawl. Officers used CS gas to control the brawling men.

The scores of men were also using telescopic batons in the fight in Duisburg, which is on the west of Germany.

Police said they were spat at and had objects hurled at them.

Around 50 people were arrested and onlookers captured the brutality in shocking photos.

Those arrested refused to explain what sparked the fight and 30 people were later released.

A police official told the newspaper Der Westen: "There are three rival groups. It may be a conflict between Turks, Lebanese and Kurds.

"Unlike with a demonstration of that size, we do not have a contact person, nobody wants to talk to the police."

He added: "The officers got the situation under control before it escalated."



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Machetes were recovered from the scene of the fight



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Duisburg police were spat on and attacked with objects



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Duisburg: 50 people were arrested over the fighting

Between 20 to 30 people were on each side of the fight in Monday night's incident and police said the majority of those arrested were from a Lebanese background. The police spokesman said similar incidents had taken place the previous night and the week before. Police are looking into whether there is a connection. **Additional reporting by Monika Pallenberg**

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