

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE  
FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY**

**IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION**

**HOLDEN AT NYANYA- ABUJA**

**THIS MONDAY THE 16<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2024**

**BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON. JUSTICE ALIYU YUNUSA SHAFI**

**SUIT NO: FCT/HC/CR/1000/2024**

**BETWEEN:**

**FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.....COMPLAINANT**

**AND**

**CHINEDU CHARLES (aka JutamasDeecharoen)..... DEFENDANT**

**ARRAIGNMENT**

Defendant: present in court

Offence: section 324 of the Penal court.

Appearance: Mariam Aminu Ahmed for the Prosecution.

Defendant: NnamdiAkuneto for the defendant

Prosecution: the matter is slated for arraignment a charge dated on the 22-11-2024 and filed on the 3/12/2024 had been served on the defendant. Subject to the convenience of the court, we apply that the charge be read to the defendant to enable him take his plea.

Court: the one count charge is read and explained to the defendant and the defendant is called upon to reply to the said one count charge.

Court: defendant do you understand the said one count charge.

Defendant yes I do

Defendant are you guilty or not guilty

Defendant: I am guilty.

Prosecution: in view of the defendant's plea made by we apply that the court convict the defendant.

### CONVICTION

The defendant is hereby convicted for the offence of cheating by personation for the offence punishable under section 324 of the penal code law.

Prosecution: following the investigation carried out by the Commission, a GLK 350, Iphone 13 promax, Samsungs10 and apple mac book has been recovered from the convict. The convict used the said money he benefitted in purchasing the items. We Urge the court to make an order for the items to be confiscated by the EFCC and a further order that the items be sold by the EFCC and money recovered be paid to the proceed of crime of the Federation and further order the convict to sentence the convict accordingly.

### DEFENDANT ALLOCUTUS:

I am very sorry andi promise not to go back to the crime I admitted.

Defence: we further urge the court to temper justice with mercy in sentencing the defendant.

The defendant now a convict is a young man in his 20s.

### SENTENCE:

I have carefully gone through the offence or rather the charge and the plea of allocutus made by the said convict I don't think that the convict deserves any mercy by the court. The boy is too young to indulge in the crime more so that the cousin he is staying with does not care to know where the convict got those items i.e. the Mercedes benz and the iphone 13 promax. Bird of the same feathers flog together. Hence the convict does not deserve the mercy of this court.

Hence the convict is hereby Sentenced to 2 weeks imprisonment without an option of fine. In addition the items recovered from the convict i.e. the Mercedes benz GLK 350, the iphone 13 promax, SamsungS10 and apple mac book are hereby confiscated and the said items are hereby ordered to be sold and the proceeds be paid to the proceed account of the EFCC to the recovery account of the FGN

This is my judgment

SIGNED

JUDGE

Order the convict to be taken to Gwagwalada farm center for his prison terms.

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**Hon. Justice A. Y. Shafa**