

IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY

IN THE ABUJA JUDICIAL DIVISION

HOLDEN AT MAITAMA

BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP : HON. JUSTICE Y. HALILU
COURT CLERKS : JANET O. ODAH & ORS
COURT NUMBER : HIGH COURT NO. 14
CASE NUMBER : CHARGE NO: CR/847/2024
DATE: : WEDNESDAY 20TH NOVEMBER, 2024

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA COMPLAINANT

AND

PRAISE AJUDAONU (a.k.a Alex Marias) DEFENDANT

JUDGMENT

Defendant was arraigned before this court on the 20th November, 2024 on a one count charge, based on a Plea Bargain Agreement dated the 20th November, 2024 duly signed by both Prosecution and Defendant in that order.

Defendant pleaded guilty to the one count charge.

Regardless of the existence of a Plea Bargain Agreement, aforementioned, I have taken note of the fact that the offence in question is not capital in nature to warrant a not guilty plea to be entered for the Defendant.

In view of the guilty plea entered by the Defendant, and pursuant to Section 270 of the Administration of Criminal Justice Act (ACJA), 2015 which envisages Plea Bargain Agreement of this nature, I shall therefore proceed to convict the Defendant as charged.

Defendant is hereby convicted as charged.

Justice Y. Halilu
Hon. Judge
20th November, 2024

ALLOCUTUS

Maryam, Esq.: - We have a Plea Bargain Agreement. We urge the court to convict the Defendant and sentence him as charged.

SENTENCING

Convict is hereby sentenced to a term of one year imprisonment with option to pay fine of N200,000 (Two Hundred Thousand Naira).

Iphone 12 recovered from convict which form proceeds of crime shall be sold by Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC) and proceeds paid into crime account of the Federation.

The \$500 restituted by convict shall be forfeited to the Federal Government through the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission (EFCC).

Convict shall depose to affidavit of good behavior.

***Justice Y. Halilu
Hon. Judge
20th November, 2024***

APPEARANCES

Maryam A. A., Esq. – for the Prosecution.

Nnamdi A., Esq. with **Angela Ode, Esq.** – for the Defendants