IN THE HIGH COURT OF THE FEDERAL CAPITAL TERRITORY ABUJA IN THE GWAGWALADA JUDICIAL DIVISION HOLDEN AT COURT NO. 13 WUSE GWAGWALADA FCT BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HON JUSTICE A. S. ADEPOJU THIS 11TH DAY OF MAY 2022

SUIT NO: FCT/HC/CR/078/2021

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA ------ COMPLAINANT

SAMUEL ISAAC (a. k. a JANE MARCH) ------DEFENDANT

BAMIDE AKANNODE for the Prosecution. **A.O. CLEMENT** for the Defendant. Matter is for arraignment. Accused in Court Speaks English Language.

JUDGEMENT

Pursuant to Sections 270 of the Administration of Criminal Justice Act 2015 the parties filed a plea bargain agreement dated 3/2/2022 and filed same day with the following terms:

WHEREAS:

- a. The defendant Samuel Isaac (a. k. a Jane March) was arrested on the 18th day of October, 2021 at Deo-Dei, Abuja based on an intelligence report received by Economic and Financial Crimes Commission about the activities of internet fraudsters.
- b. During the cause of arrest, an Iphone XR and Samsung Galaxy were recovered from Samuel Isaac.
- c. During the course of investigation the mobile phone recovered from the defendant was sent to Forensic department and the outcome of the forensic analysis revealed that the defendant falsely represented himself as Jane March via the use of a Gmail account, janemarch203@gmail.com and fraudulently obtained the sum of \$47 (Forty Seven Dollars) from unsuspecting victims.

- d. Upon the discovery described the defendant admitted his wrong doing showed remorse for his actions and agreed to forfeit the sum of \$47 (Forty Seven Dollars) and Iphone XR and Samsung Galaxy all of which are benefits of the scam to the Federal Government of Nigeria.
- e. The Defendant through his Counsel, A. O. Clement Esq has applied to the prosecution for plea bargain and the prosecution after consultation with the investigating officer hereby accepts as stated herewith.

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. That before the conclusion of this agreement, the defendant was informed:
 - a. That he has the right to remain silent.
 - b. Of the consequences of not remaining silent.
 - c. That he is not obliged to make any confession that could be used in evidence against him.
- That the defendant shall plead guilty to the one count charge of impersonation dated 10th day of November, 2021 and filed 11th November, 2021 before this Honorable Court.
- That upon conviction, the defendant shall be sentenced to a term of 5 months imprisonment or payment of ¥150,000 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira) fine to the Federal Government.
- 4. That the defendant shall depose to an affidavit of undertaking to be of good behavior.
- 5. That the sum of \$47 (Forty Seven Dollars) and Iphone XR and Samsung Galaxy recovered from the defendant during investigation shall be forfeited to the Federal Government of Nigeria.

CHARGE: That you Samuel Isaac sometimes in 2021 within the jurisdiction of this Honorable Court did fraudulently impersonate a United States Citizen named Jane March on Gmail account janemarch203@gmail.com and you obtained the sum of \$47 (Forty Seven Dollars) from unsuspecting victims via Page 2 of 3 sports prediction games into your Zenith Bank account number 208693004 and you thereby committed an offence contrary to Section 321 of the Penal Code Act Cap 532 Laws Laws of the Federation and punishable under Section 324 of the same Act.

COURT: The Defendant having understood the charge as read to him and pleaded guilty to same is hereby convicted on his own plea.

SENTENCING:

The Defendant having informed the Court that he voluntarily agreed with the terms of the plea bargain agreement and signed same also same witnessed by his counsel, this court is satisfied that the defendant's plea bargain was not made under duress, and upon a careful consideration of the allocutus as urged by the defence counsel, the defendant is hereby sentenced to a five (5) months imprisonment or in lien pay a fine of **¥150,000 One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Naira)** to the Federal Government. Furthermore, the defendant shall depose to an affidavit of undertaking to be of good behavior, and forfeit the sum of \$47 (Forty Seven Dollars) and Iphone XR and Samsung Galaxy recovered from him during investigation to the Federal Government of Nigeria.

Signed

Hon. Judge 11/5/2022