

CASE-LAW ANALYSIS
POACHING AND ILLEGAL WILDLIFE TRADE IN TANZANIA

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CASE	
Case number	Economic Criminal Case No. 40 of 2007
Court	District Court of Mpanda, at Mpanda
Year (date)	2007
Name of the judge/Magistrate	Hon. C.M Tengwa
Name of the parties	Republic versus Dominico Mayanga and Two Others
Prosecuting authority (DGOs, state attorney, police...)	Police
Representation of accused person (lawyer?)	Not represented
Transnational elements (Citizen/non-citizen, cross-border offence...)	nil
DESCRIPTION	
Defendants (age, gender...)	Males
History of the case	
Facts	On 29 th October, 2007 at Itenka B village within Mpanda District in Rukwa Region the accused persons were arraigned and found in unlawful possession of government trophy. Then brought before the court to answer a charge.
Charges	Unlawful possession of government trophy contrary to sections 67(1) and (2) of the Wildlife Conservation Act No. 12 of 1974 read together with paragraph 15(d) of the First Schedule and section 59(2) and 80(2) of the Economic and Organized Crime Control Act 1984 as amended by Act No.10 of 1989 and No.3 of 1992.

SPECIES	
Name	Hippopotamus meat (2 kg)
Value	Tshs. 1,105,000/=
Processed/Not processed	Not processed
LEGAL REFERENCES	
Legislation (principal and ancillary legislation)	Wildlife Conservation Act No. 12 of 1974 Economic and Organized Crime Control Act 1984 as amended by Act No.10 of 1989 and No.3 of 1992.
Cases cited	Makuzi Zaidi versus Republic (1969) HCD 249
International instruments	NIL
DECISION/OPINION	
Decision	Accused persons were convicted
Basis of the decision (reasons)	Prosecution proved the case beyond reasonable doubts.
Legal issues raised in judgment	Whether the accused persons were in possession of the said hippopotamus meat.
Penalty	Sentenced to serve twenty (20) years imprisonment
OTHER CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION	
Context	-
Appealed/Not appealed	NIL
Bail	Bail granted
Opinion on the case	NIL