

CASE-LAW ANALYSIS
POACHING AND ILLEGAL WILDLIFE TRADE IN TANZANIA

GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CASE	
Case number	Economic Case No. 16 of 2010
Court	District Court of Monduli
Year (date)	2010
Name of the judge	Hon. M.P Mrio (SRM)
Name of the parties	R v. Laurent Simon
Prosecuting authority (DGOs, state attorney, police...)	State Attorney
Representation of accused person (lawyer?)	nil
Transnational elements (Citizen/non-citizen, cross-border offence...)	nil
DESCRIPTION	
Defendants (age, gender...)	Male
History of the case	-
Facts	On 06.10.2010, the accused was found in unlawful possession of one carcass head of hippopotamus within the Malale river inside Manyara National Park within Monduli District, Arusha region.
Charges	Unlawful possession of government trophy c/s 60 (2) and 86 (2) and (b) of the Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 5 of 2009 read together with section 57 (1) and paragraph 14 (d) of the 1 st schedule to the Economic and Organized Crime Control Act, Cap 200 R.E 2002
SPECIES	
Name	Carcass head of hippopotamus
Value	USD 550

Processed/Not processed	Not processed
LEGAL REFERENCES	
Legislation (principal and ancillary legislation)	Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 5 of 2009 Economic and Organized Crime Control Act, Cap 200 R.E 2002
Cases cited	-
International instruments	-
DECISION/OPINION	
Decision	Guilty and convicted of the offence charged
Basis of the decision (reasons)	Four prosecution witnesses managed to prove the case beyond reasonable doubt by establishing that the accused was found in actual possession of the carcass head of hippopotamus within the Manyara National park.
Legal issues raised in judgment	Whether the accused was found in unlawful possession of one carcass head of hippopotamus
Penalty	Six (6) years imprisonment
OTHER CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION	
Context	-
Appealed/Not appealed	-
Bail	-
Opinion on the case	-