

CASE-LAW ANALYSIS  
**POACHING AND ILLEGAL WILDLIFE TRADE IN TANZANIA**

<b>GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CASE</b>	
Case number	Economic Case No. 08 of 2015
Court	Resident Magistrate Court of Dodoma
Year (date)	2015
Name of the judge	Hon. Anangisyé
Name of the parties	Republic, Robert Talibo
Prosecuting authority (DGOs, state attorney, police...)	State Attorney
Representation of accused person (lawyer?)	Not represented
Transnational elements (Citizen/non-citizen, cross-border offence...)	Citizens/ crime committed in Tanzania, at Handali Village in Chamwino District in Dodoma Region
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	
Defendants (age, gender...)	Male
History of the case	-
Facts	The accused persons on 10 March 2015 at Handali Village in Chamwino District in Dodoma Region, the accused was found in possession of fox skin.
Charges	Being in an unlawful possession of government trophies contrary to sections 86(1)(2) (c)(ii) (3)(b) of the Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 5 of 2009 and Paragraph 14(d) of the first schedule to and section 57(1) and 60(2) of the Economic and Organised Crimes Control Act, Cap 200 R.E. 2002.
<b>SPECIES</b>	
Name	Fox
Value	Tshs. 458,000/=

Processed/Not processed	Processed
<b>LEGAL REFERENCES</b>	
Legislation (principal and ancillary legislation)	Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 5 of 2009 Economic and Organised Crimes Control Act, Cap 200 RE 2002 Penal Code, Cap 16 RE 2002
Cases cited	-
International instruments	None
<b>DECISION/OPINION</b>	
Decision	Guilty
Basis of the decision (reasons)	The accused entered a plea of guilty
Legal issues raised in judgment	-
Penalty	Discharged absolutely
<b>OTHER CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION</b>	
Context	
Appealed/Not appealed	No indication
Bail	No indication
Opinion on the case	The penalty is weird especially because the accused in fact admitted everything that puts him in control of the trophy. Consideration of the mitigation to that extent was against dictates of the law.