

CASE-LAW ANALYSIS  
POACHING AND ILLEGAL WILDLIFE TRADE IN TANZANIA

<b>GENERAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE CASE</b>	
Case number	No. 06 of 2015
Court	Moshi Resident Magistrate Court
Year (date)	2015
Name of the judge	J.C Tiganga - PRM
Name of the parties	Republic vs Jon Grant and Linda Grant
Prosecuting authority (DGOs, state attorney, police...)	State Attorneys
Representation of accused person (lawyer?)	Represented by the Advocate
Transnational elements (Citizen/non-citizen, cross-border offence...)	Non-Citizens
<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	
Defendants (age, gender...)	Adults
History of the case	Accused were arrested and charged for being found in possession of a government trophy.
Facts	Accused person were arrested for having been found in possession of a government trophy and were charged accordingly.
Charges	Unlawful possession of government trophy contrary to the provision of the Wildlife Conservation Act.
<b>SPECIES</b>	
Name	Unnamed
Value	Tshs. 32,169,300
Processed/Not processed	Unclear

<b>LEGAL REFERENCES</b>	
Legislation (principal and ancillary legislation)	Wildlife Conservation Act, No. 5 of 2009
Cases cited	NIL
International instruments	NIL
<b>DECISION/OPINION</b>	
Decision	Pleaded guilty and convicted
Basis of the decision (reasons)	Accused pleaded guilty as charged
Legal issues raised in judgment	NIL
Penalty	Payment of fine in the tune of Tshs. 64,338,600. Confiscation of the trophy and return to the Government.
<b>OTHER CONTEXTUAL INFORMATION</b>	
Context	The case reveals the circumstance in which the court enters sentence after the accused plea of guilty as charged and the type of the lenient sentence which can be imposed.
Appealed/Not appealed	No information
Bail	Bail granted
Opinion on the case	Received court proceeding does not disclose enough information as to the residence and citizenship of the accused, trophies found in their possession, what transpired in the court from charges etc. That raises question as to how the court entered conviction and sentence in the end.