THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA

IN THE CHIEF MAGISTRATES COURT OF KAMPALA AT BUGANDA ROAD

CRIMINAL OFFENCE NO. 0272 OF 2021

UGANDA ::::::::::::::: PROSECUTOR

OJARA RICHARD :::::::::::: ACCUSED

PROCEEDINGS

14/3/2021

Accused in court.

Peter –state

Elizabeth –court clerk.

Court: Accused does not understand English. Remanded till 24/3/2021 for plea.

Sgd

Ayo Miriam E. Okello

Chief Magistrate

24/3/2021

Accused absent.

Production warrant to issue for 31/3/2021.

Sgd

Ayo Miriam E. Okello

Chief Magistrate

31/3/2021

Accused in court.

Mbazira –Counsel for accused

Akello- state

Liz –court clerk

Ocen Allan –interpreter.

Court: Charge read and explained to accused in acholi.

Accused pleads:
Count 1: True. Plea of guilty entered.
Count 2: I hunted. True. Plea of guilty entered.
Count 3: True. Plea of guilty entered.

Brief facts: On 19/3/2021 at Park, Nwoya, a team of Rangers arrested accused while laying traps. He had in his possession fresh meat of Uganda kob. It was examined and confirmed to belong to the protected species. Accused was charged accordingly. The photos were taken and the items were exhibited and a report made.

Counsel for accused: No objection

Court: Exhibit slip admitted marked P.G1

- Photo P.GIII
- Expert report P.GII.

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Ayo Miriam E. Okello
Chief Magistrate

Accused: Facts are correct.

Court: Accused convicted on his own plea of guilty on 3 counts.

Record: 1st offender. He entered illegally in the park and killed one kob, such traps found with the convict are dangerous in the park. They kill any animals

irrespective of size and type. There is need for a deterrent sentence to enable him reform and refrain other. We pray for custodial sentence.

Mitigation: He is a first offender. He is a youthful offender. I pray for leniency.

Sentence: The convict is first offender who pleaded guilty. The convict planned his acts. He laid a trap to kill the animal by the time the convict set the traps, he knew the outcome was bad. He should stop. As a first offender. He is sentenced to 6 months imprisonment on all the 3 counts.

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Ayo Miriam E. Okello

Chief Magistrate

Right of appeal explained against the sentence.

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Sentence to run concurrently.

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14/3/2021