

GHANA / JUDGMENT

REPUBLIC VRS AWUNYO & ANOTHER [2023] GHAHC 645 (14 December 2023)

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High Court

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IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JUDICATURE, IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE TAMALE
NORTHERN REGION SUIT NO. NR/TL/HC/CC3/1/20 DELIVERED ON 14TH DECEMBER, 2023 THE
REPUBLIC VRS

1. AMEVOR AWUNYO
2. KWASI VIVOR AWUNYO COUNSEL VIRGINIA GLORIA AKPENE FUGAR with GERTRUDE JOHNSON for the Republic present. AWUDU ISSAH MAHMUDU for the Accused persons present. CORAM HIS LORDSHIP JUSTICE ERIC ANSAH ANKOMAH

JUDGMENT

The Accused persons have reached an agreement with the Republic through the Attorney's General Department in Tamale based on the Plea Bargaining Act 1079 which said Act amended the Criminal and Other Offences (Procedure) Act 1960. The proposed agreement has been filed this morning at 9:45 AM. I hereby retake the plea of the Accused persons pursuant to the Plea Bargaining agreement filed on 14th December, 2023. Charges read in English and explained in Ewe language to the Accused persons. Count 2 – Human Trafficking contrary to Section 2(1) of the Human Trafficking Act, 2005 (Act 694) as amended. Count 3- Child Labor contrary to Section 87 and 88 of sub-part 1 of the Children's Act, 1998 (Act 560) Count 4 – Human Trafficking contrary to Section 2(1) of the Human Trafficking Act, 2005 (Act 694) as amended Count 5- Child Labor contrary to Section 87 and 88 of sub-part 1 of the Children's Act, 1998 (Act 560) A1 pleads guilty to Counts 2 and 3. A2 pleads guilty to Counts 4 and 5. By Court: I hereby convict the Accused persons on their own plea of guilty to Counts two (2), Count three (3), Count four (4) and Count five (5) respectively. I have read the proposed Plea Bargaining Agreement by the Accused persons and the Republic. I am satisfied with the agreement and I do not intend to change any of the clauses. I hereby sentence A1 to pay a fine of 150 penalty units on Count 2 and 3 or in default serve a prison term of 5 years. A1 shall compensate the victim Korsi Atsu Kpeli Hotorwu with cash the sum of GHS 1,200.00. I hereby sentence A2 to pay a fine of 150 penalty units on Count 4 and 5 respectively or in default serve a prison term of 5 years. A2 shall compensate the victim Kwasi Borga with cash the sum of GHS 1,200.00. The sentences are to run concurrently. The

convicts shall pay the fine and the compensation forthwith. SGN HIS LORDSHP ERIC ANSAH
ANKOMAH JUSTICE OF THE HIGH COURT TAMALE 3

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