IN THE FEDERAL HIGH COURT OF NIGERIA IN THE OSOGBO JUDICIAL DIVISION HOLDEN AT OSOGBO

ON TUESDAY THE 31ST DAY OF MAY 2016 BEFORE THE HON. JUSTICE MAUREEN ADAOBI ONYETENU JUDGE

CHARGE NO: FHC/OS/35C/2015

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COMPLAINANT

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AJANI BIDEEN

ACCUSED

Accused person present
John Ameh for the prosecution
Accused person unrepresented by counsel

Case for the prosecution opens

1st prosecution witness

Sworn on the Koran and states in English language, the same is interpreted into Yoruba language by a sworn interpreter Femi Aina Oladimeji court Registrar.

My name is Hashian Isah Yerima. I work with the National Drug Law Enforcement Agency Osun State Command as an Assistant Superintendent of Narcotics. I know the accused person.

On 14/5/16 at about 0300 hours I was among a team of NDLEA operatives who went on operation at Iwo town. A search was conducted in the home of the accused person and in his room I discovered dried weed suspected to be cannabis concealed in a black nylon bag. I then arrested the accused person and took him

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down to our office (NDLEA) to the exhibit keeper who tested the substance and it proved positive to be cannabis sativa. The Exhibit officer issued 3 forms which the accused thumb printed, the 2 officers signed and I signed. A small bit of the substance was put in a transparent evidence pouch and sent to our laboratory in Lagos for analysis

The accused person was taken to the interrogation room where he made a statement. Later on we received a large brown envelope and a drug analysis report.

I can identify the Exhibit forms in this case. There are the forms.

Tenders the exhibit forms as Exhibit
No objection by the accused person
To be admitted and marked as follows:certificate of Test Analysis Exhibit A
Packing of substance Exhibit A1
Request for Scientific Aid Test Exhibit A2.

I can identify the bulk substance in this case.

This is the bulk substance

Tenders the bulk substance as Exhibit.

No objection by the accused person.

To be admitted and marked Exhibit B.

I can identify the Statement of the accused person

Tenders the statement of the accused person as Exhibit

No objection by the accused person.

To be admitted and marked Exhibit C.

I can identify the large brown envelope and the drug analysis Report. This is the large brown envelope and drug analysis report

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Tenders the drug analysis report and the large brown envelope as Exhibit.

No objection by the accused person.

To be admitted and marked as follows:-

Large brown envelope Exhibit D

Drug Analysis Report Exhibit D1.

Prosecution applies that Exhibit D be unsealed.

Court: Unsealed Exhibit D

Exhibit D is unsealed in court to reveal a transparent evidence pouch containing analysed drug.

Tenders the evidence pouch containing analysed drug as Exhibit.

No objection by the accused person.

To be admitted and marked Exhibit D.

That is all.

Cross-examination - Nil in view of the plea.

Re-examination - Nil.

End of case for the prosecution.

Prosecution applies that the accused person be convicted and sentenced.

Court: You have heard the facts as stated by the prosecution. Are the facts correct?

Accused person:

Yes

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JUDGEMENT

Upon your own plea and admission of the facts as stated by the prosecution, I find you guilty as charged

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Judge 31/5/16

Record: Prosecution states that the accused has formerly been sentenced in this court. In Charge No. FHC/OS/78C/13 with 1.350 kg accused was sentenced for 3 months.

Allocutus: The accused person pleads for leniency

<u>Sentence</u>: The accused person has a criminal record. It seems to me that the light sentence he got before had no effect on him. He is to serve a jail term of 3 years starting from date of 1st custody 15/5/15.

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Order as to Exhibit.

Exhibit B to be returned to the prosecution for destruction.

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