"ANNEXURE 11"

IN THE HIGH COURT OF NAMIBIA (TO THE SUPREME COURT OF NAMIBIA)

Case Title:		Case No.: HC-MD-CRI-APP-CAL-2017/00009
JOHANNES HANEB	1ST APPELLANT	Neutral citation: Haneb v S (HC-MD-
RICHARD USEB	2 ND APPELLANT	CRI-APP-CAL-2017/00009) [2018] NAHCMD
versus		125 (11 May 2018)
THE STATE		
		Division of Court:
		High Court Main Division
Tried before: SHIVUTE J et SIBOLEKA J		Date of Hearing: 11 May 2018
		Date of Ruling: 11 May 2018
Result on merits (attach order):		

THE ORDER:

- 1. The application for condonation for the late filing of the notice of appeal is granted in respect of both appellants.
- 2. The appeal against sentence in respect of each appellant succeeds.
- 3. The sentence of 20 years imposed by the Regional Court is set aside and this court is at liberty to sentence each appellant afresh.
- 4. Each appellant is sentenced to 8 years imprisonment back dated to 12 March 2010.
- 5. Each appellant had already served 8 years and each should be released forthwith.

REASONS FOR DECISION (TO BE COMPLETED BY THE JUDGE):

- (a) Application for condonation is granted in respect of each appellant. Each appellant had prospects of success on prosecuting the appeal against sentence.
- (b) Each appellant was sentenced to 20 years imprisonment being the mandatory sentence at the time of sentencing. However, the mandatory sentence was ruled unconstitutional in Daniel v Attorney General and Others 2011 (1) NR 330 (HC) AT 355-356.

served 8 years of their sentence and this is the reason this court sentenced them afresh to 8 years, back dated to 12 March 2010. In any normal circumstances this court would not have sentenced any accused person to 8 years for stock theft worth N\$1000.

Judge's signature:

Note to the parties:

I Concur:

A.M.Siboleka:

Counsel:

Mr Kamwi (For the first applellant)

Mr Brockerhoff (For the second appellant)

Ms Esterhuizen (For the respondent)

(c) Although the stock that was stolen is worth N\$ 1000, the appellants had already



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HELD AT WINDHOEK
ON FRIDAY, THE 11th DAY OF MAY 2018
BEFORE THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE SHIVUTE
et THE HONOURABLE JUSTICE SIBOLEKA

In the matter between:

JOHANNES HANEB

1st APPELLANT

RICHARD USEB

2nd APPELLANT

and

THE STATE

RESPONDENT

COURT ORDER

Having heard **Mr. Kamwi** for the first appellant and **Mr. Brockerhoff** for the second appellant, and **Ms. Esterhuizen**, on behalf of the respondent and having read the Application for HC-MD-CRI-APP-CAL-2017/00009 and other documents filed of record:

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

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BY ORDER OF THE COURT

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Charlet Mokomele

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