

REPUBLIC OF NAURU

SUPREME COURT

CRIMINAL CASE NO. 12 OF 1980

THE REPUBLIC v. JOSEPH HUBERT

S E N T E N C E

Although the consequences of the offences were most serious, i.e. the death of a pedestrian, the actual offences charged and admitted are relatively minor traffic offences. Neither warrants a sentence of imprisonment where the offender has no relevant previous convictions (although in some cases of much greater speed, a sentence of imprisonment may be appropriate even for a first offender).

The accused is young and able-bodied although apparently not at present in employment. He should be able to find employment and pay a fine, by instalments if necessary. I sentence him to pay a fine of \$120 in respect of Count 1 or to serve 2 months' imprisonment in default and to pay a fine of \$50 in respect of Count 2 or in default to serve 1 month's imprisonment.

Chief Justice

23/1/81

Order: T.A.P., \$30 by 28/2/81, a further \$30 by 31/3/81, a further \$30 by 30/4/81 and balance by 31/5/81.

Chief Justice

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