

JOINT COURT OF THE NEW HEBRIDES

The nineteenth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and forty-four,

Before their Honours :

Y. GESLIN, French Judge, President,  
A.H. EGAN, British Judge,  
and Messrs COUSTARD de NERBONNE, Assessor,  
M. ERRARD, Public Prosecutor ad hoc,  
assisted by E. BUTERI, Acting Registrar.

This is a charge made against a native NGANGA, chief of Mélé Island (Efate) for having publicly used insulting words towards Mr Guy PREVOST, French citizen, on 25th March 1944.

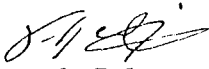
The accused was heard in his defence as put forward by himself and by the Native Advocate ad hoc, and the Public Prosecutor ad hoc having delivered his address, the Court then considered its judgment.

JUDGMENT

The principal witness, Mr Guy PREVOST, although regularly summoned did not appear, and it is necessary that he should give evidence;

ON THESE GROUNDS,

The case is adjourned and the accused and witness G. PREVOST will be freshly summoned at the request of the Public Prosecutor. Costs reserved.

  
French Judge

  
British Judge

Assessor.

  
Acting Registrar