## CRIMINAL CASE Nº12 OF 1993

## BETWEEN : PUBLIC PROSECUTOR

<u>AND:</u> JIMMY ADIN - Defendant

Coram : Prosecution : Defence : Chief Justice H. Toa J. Maicolm

Charge : INTENTIONAL ASSAULT

IN THE SUPREVE COURT OF

THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU

## SENTENCE

This is again an example of drink associated violence. I am quite sure that save for alcohol, this incident would never have occured.

Fortunately no more than one puch was administered and there was not the usual follow up kicks and punching when the opponent is on the ground.

I do take the view that it is unlikely he will offend again.

In the circumstances I propose to sentence the defendant to 9 months imprisonment suspended for 2 years, 50.000 vt costs, civil claims towards the complainant 93.000 vt for special damages and pain and suffering general injuries 500.000 vt to the victim at the rate of 7.500 vt every fortnight.

Costs to be paid as follows :

Costs to be paid within 7 days = 50.000 vt

Within 7 days payment to be made to victim = 50.000 vt

The balance at the rate of 7.500 vt per fortnight starting on 30th May 1993 until cleared, or 12 months imprisonment in alternative.

CHARLES VALDIN d'INECOURT Chief Justice