

**IN THE SUPREME COURT  
OF THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU**  
*(Civil Jurisdiction)*

**Election Petition  
Case No. 20/920 SC/ELTP**

**BETWEEN: Michel Taravaki**  
**Petitioner**

**AND: The Electoral Commission**  
**Respondent**

*Date of Conference :* 18<sup>th</sup> May 2020  
*Before:* Justice Oliver.A.Saksak  
*In Attendance:* Mr Philip Fiuka for Petitioner  
Mr Hardison Tabi for the Respondent

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**ORDER**

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1. The Respondent having filed an application to strike out the petition on the grounds that it has no foundation, and
2. Upon the Petitioner through his counsel conceding to the application with costs in the sum of VT 20.000.

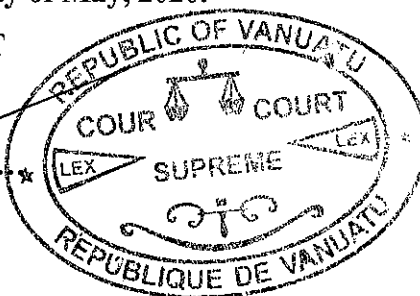
**It is Ordered-**

3. The Petition be dismissed with costs of VT 20.000 payable to the Respondent
4. The Registrar shall release the deposit of VT 20.000 to the State Law Office within 7 days from the date hereof.

**DATED at Port Vila this 18th day of May, 2020.**

**BY THE COURT**

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Oliver.A.Saksak  
Judge

The seal of the Supreme Court of the Republic of Vanuatu is circular. It features a central emblem with a scale of justice and a book. The text "REPUBLIC OF VANUATU" is written along the top inner edge, and "REPUBLIQUE DE VANUATU" along the bottom inner edge. In the center, the words "COUR SUPREME" are written, with "COUR" on the left and "SUPREME" in the middle. The word "LEX" appears on both sides of the central emblem.