

BETWEEN: Public Prosecutor  
Claimant

AND: Morris Jean-Paul  
Defendant

**Date of Hearing:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2023  
**Date of Judgement:** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2023 at 10:39 am  
**Venue:** Efate Island Court – Court-Room, Joint-Court Ontop, Port-Vila  
**Before:** Justice F. Thomas (Presiding Justice)  
Justice L. Sakita (Member)  
Justice R. Tining (Member)  
**Island Court Clerk:** Alida ALAIN  
**In Attendance:** Both Parties

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## SENTENCE

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HAVING Read and Heard Mr Beeman Sahe for the State, and the Defendant Mr. Morris Jean-Paul, the defendant pleads guilty to the charges of

- 1) **Criminal Trespass** - Contrary to Section 144 (b) of the Penal Code Act Cap 135
- 2) **Malicious Damage to Property** – Contrary to Section 133 of the Penal Code Act Cap 135

THE Same defendant plead not guilty to the following charge:


- 3) **Threatening Gestures** – Contrary to Section 114A of the Penal Code Act Cap 135

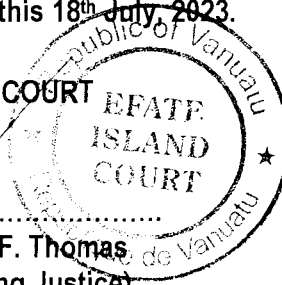
ACCORDINGLY, the Court withdraws the charge of “Threatening Gestures” under Section 129 of the Criminal Code Procedure CAP135 and sentences the Defendant as follows:

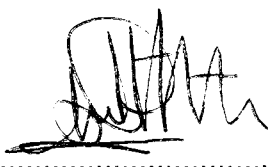
1. That the Defendant, Morris Jean-Paul, must pay a fine of VT 10'000 for count 1.
2. That the Defendant, Morris Jean-Paul, must pay a fine of VT 5'000 for count 2.
3. That the Defendant, must pay Prosecution costs of VT 2'000.
4. That the Defendant to pay the fines and the Prosecution costs before or by 15/08/2023 directly to Vanuatu Government Cashier and must provide copy of the payment receipt to the office of the Efate Island Court for records purposes.
5. That the Defendant has 30 days to appeal this sentence if he is not satisfied with it.

DATED at Port Vila this 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2023.

BY THE COURT

  
Justice R. Tining  
(Member)

  
Justice F. Thomas  
(Presiding Justice)

  
Justice L. Sakita  
(Member)