

ROYAL COURT

22nd May, 1987

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Before The Bailiff,

Jurat Bonn

Jurat Gruchy.

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Her Majesty's Attorney General

-v-

Kevin Daniel Murphy and

Alison Faye Hine

—
The Solicitor General

Adv. A. P. Begg for Murphy

Adv. A. Messervy for Hine.

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Judgment

The Bailiff: Hine, you are placed on probation for 3 years, which means you must live and work as directed by your probation officer; and you will be of good behaviour during this period; and if you misbehave you will come back for sentence. You may go.

Murphy, the Court regards the importation of an illegal drug as very serious, and it is the policy of this Court that, unless there are exceptional circumstances, the Court should impose a custodial sentence. We cannot think that there are those exceptional circumstances in your case for us to depart from that principle. However, in view of your personal circumstances and everything your Counsel has said on your behalf, we are going to reduce the conclusions. You will still go to prison, but we have reduced them by a sufficient amount which should, if you are of good behaviour in the prison, enable you to be out in good time to assist Miss de la Haye.

I therefore sentence you on Count 1 to 4 months imprisonment and on Count 2 to 1 month, concurrent.

Now we make an order that the Cannabis should be destroyed.