ROYAL COURT

9th September, 1988

Before: The Deputy Bailiff and Jurats Myles and Bonn

Her Majesty's Attorney General
- v Design Unit Limited

Sentence imposed in respect of six infractions of paragraph (1) of Article 36 of the Social Security (Jersey) Law, 1974

Advocate C.E. Whelan for the Crown Advocate A.R. Binnington for the defendant company

JUDG MENT

DEPUTY BAILIFF: We regard compliance with the Social Security Law in respect of employees as a very important matter and here the employee was at risk for a period of time in respect of illness or injury. We think that we must show that this Law must be complied with and that proper sanctions will be imposed in any prosecution resulting from non-compliance. In this case, although the total fine may be more than the maximum for one individual offence, nevertheless the fact remains that the company is liable to a fine of up to £1,000 on each of the six counts. Therefore what is sought by the Crown is in fact one-fifth of the total that could have been

asked for. We think that is perfectly reasonable. The conclusions are granted, the company is fined £200 in respect of each of the six counts, making a total of £1,200 and it will pay £50 by way of costs.