

IN THE FIJI COURT OF APPEAL
Appellate Jurisdiction
Criminal Appeal No. 30 of 1985.

Between :

RUPENI TIKO

Appellant

- and -

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Respondent

Appellant in Person.

Mr. G. E. Leung for the Respondent.

Date of Hearing : 24th June, 1985

Delivery of Judgment : 24th June, 1985

JUDGMENT OF THE COURT

Speight, VP (Orally)

The appellant claims that he had approached the young European woman in this case and had asked her to consent to intercourse. He says she did this and that he did not use any violence upon her. The record however shows quite the contrary. In addition it is clear that not only did he plead guilty in the Magistrate's Court but that details of the events were explained to the Court and that he admitted the facts. This was a serious offence even within the category of

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rape and we see no reason to interfere with the sentence imposed, indeed in our view it was entirely appropriate.

Appeal dismissed.

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Vice-President

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Judge of Appeal

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