

IN THE EFATE ISLAND COURT
OF THE REPUBLIC OF VANUATU
(Civil Jurisdiction)

Debt Case No. 16/2196 IC/DEBT

BETWEEN: MAY RAYLINE MULONTURALA
Claimant

AND: GONAE MELTENOVEN
Defendant

Coram: *Hon. Justice Daniel Frank (Presiding Justice)*
Hon. Justice Tomson Andrew
Hon. Justice Francis Aru

Court Clerk: *Alida Tchivi*

Date of Hearing: *Friday 29th day of July 2016*

Date of Judgment: *Friday 29th day of July, 2016 in the Morning*

Court Venue: *Efaté Island Court – Court Room, Joint-Court Ontop, Port-Vila.*

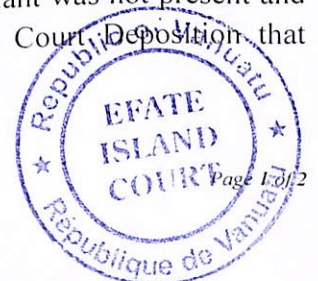
Attendees: *Claimant appeared in Court while there is no appearance for the Defendant*

DEFAULT JUDGMENT

An application has been filed by **May Rayline Mulonturala** who is the plaintiff before this court in pursuant to Rule 1(2) of the Island Court Procedure Rules of 2005.

This is a normal civil claim for breach of contract between the Claimant and the Defendant namely **Gonael Meltenoven**. The Claimant alleged that on the 22nd April 2016 the Defendant and himself, entered into an agreement. The agreement was for the Defendant to borrow money from the Claimant's business of money lending with a fortnight loan repayment of *Twenty Percent (20%)* interest. The principal amount borrowed is Five Thousand Vatu. Claimant stated clearly on his statement that the Defendant has failed to comply with the agreement and the outstanding Vatu claimed by the Claimant is now *Thirteen Thousand and Four Hundred Vatu (13'441Vt)* in which, the court fee of 1'000 Vt is also included.

Both parties were summoned and served directly. This matter was supported in open court. Claimant appeared in Court at the time and date of hearing when called; however Defendant was not present and that no reason was given for his non-appearance. Court has noted on the Court Deposition that Defendant has also not filed his Defence.



Island Courts (Civil Procedure) Rules No. 028 of 2005 (2) – Non-Attendant of defendant reads: If a defendant does not appear at the time for the hearing of the claim, the court shall, provided it is satisfied that the statement of claim has been served on the defendant and that there is no good reason for the defendant's non-attendance: (d) determine in the absence of the defendant the claim of the claimant.


The Court is satisfied and therefore, the Court proceeds with the determination of the matter in the absence of the defendant.

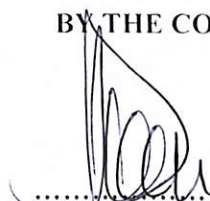
Having read, heard and considered the application of claim made by the Claimant in this matter May Rayline Mulonturala on behalf of his unpaid sum and taking into consideration the time frame given to the Defendant to settle this outstanding, party is agree that the Debt Vt 13'441 is now increase to Vt 47'253, interest included for the month of August – October 2016;

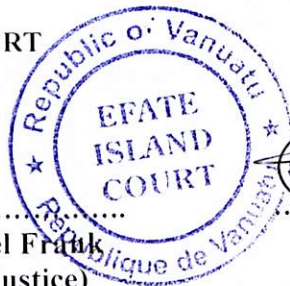
This Court is satisfied and hereby makes the following Orders:

1. The Defendant 'Gonael Meltenoven' is ordered to pay 47'253 Vt in full by end of October 2016 to settle the outstanding.
2. All payment to be made directly to May Rayline Mulonturala, the Claimant.
3. Both parties need to respect and comply with these orders. Failure to the above, party may apply orally or in writing to the Supervising Magistrate for Enforcement of the order or judgment if it remains unsatisfied.
4. Parties have a right to appeal from that judgment to the Magistrate's Court within 30 days from the date of this judgment

Dated at Port- Vila, the Friday 29th day of July, 2016


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Justice Tomson Andrew

BY THE COURT

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Justice Daniel Frank
(Presiding Justice)


Justice Francis Aru

