JOINT COURT OF THE NEW HEBRIDES.

JUDGMENT.

This twenty seventh day of May, one thousand nine hundred and thirty eight.

At a Public Hearing held at Vila, before:

Manuel Bosch Barrett, President.

W.D. Carew, British Judge.

C.A. Doley, French Judge.

and Charles Berthault, Public Prosecutor, "ad hoc", assisted by Charles Steinmetz, Acting Registrar.

By a Judgment of the Court of First Instance delivered at Vila on the 31st December, 1937, a Tonkinese, No.1248, named Nguyen Huu Yet was fined three hundred francs and sentenced to eight days imprisonment for having sold wine to a New Hebrides native. The Judgment also ordered the confiscation of two bottles of wine and one bottle of cognac, which were seized at the house of the accused. This conviction is now before the Joint Court for review.

The Joint Court confirms the conviction of the Court of First Instance, but holds that it was in error in ordering the confiscation of the wine and cognac from the house of Nguyen Huu Yet, and directs its restitution to the accused.

President of the Joint Cou

French Judge.

British Judge.

Acting Registrar.