IN THE SUPREME COURT OF SEYCHELLES

THE REPUBLIC VS. KETRINA JUBEDA SIMEON

Criminal Side No. 42 of 2007

Mr. Govinden for the Republic Mr. Georges for the Accused

RULING

Gaswaga, J

The application for bail and the reply thereto or the objection by the prosecution as well a as the relevant constitutional provisions have been considered.

The seriousness of the offence of importation of a controlled drug and conspiracy to import a controlled drug with which the accused is charged still remains undiminished. Further, there has been no change in circumstances of the matter at hand to warrant the release of the accused on bail. Instead, given the above reasons, the court believes that there is a high likelihood of the accused jumping bail or interfering with the witnesses or the course of justice generally if enlarged on bail. See R. vs. Cliff Emmanuel and Rep vs. Gerard Kate.

Consequently the application is refused and the accused person further remanded in custody under Section 179 of the Criminal Procedure Code, Cap 54 (for fourteen days).

D. GASWAGA JUDGE

Dated this 28th day of September, 2007.