## IN THE HIGH COURT OF LAGOS STATE IN THE IKEJA JUDICIAL DIVISION HOLDEN AT COURT NO. 10, SPECIAL OFFENCES COURT 1 BEFORE THE HON. JUSTICE M. A. DADA (MRS.) TODAY WEDNESDAY THE 13TH DAY OF MAY, 2020.

SUIT NO: ID/11658C/2020

BETWEEN:

FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA

COMPLAINANT

AND

MOHAMMED USMAN (a.k.a. Annette Gill

... DEFENDANT

## **JUDGMENT**

The Defendant has been re-arraigned on a 3 Counts Information dated 13<sup>th</sup> February, 2020 thus:

1<sup>st</sup> Count: Possession of document containing false pretence contrary to Sections 6, 8(3) and 1(3) of the Advance fee Fraud and other Fraud Related Offences Act, No.14 of 2006. He is alleged to have on or about the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020 in Lagos within the jurisdiction of this Court, had in his possession an email correspondence wherein he represented himself to Vincenzo Loele that he was Annette Gill, a representative he knew to be false.

2<sup>nd</sup> Count: Possession of document containing false pretence contrary to Sections 6, 8(b) and 1(3) of the Advance Fee Fraud and Other Fraud Related Offences Act, No. 14 of 2006. He is alleged to have on or about the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020 in Lagos within the jurisdiction had in his possession and email correspondence with title "Annette from web" wherein he represented himself as a female American.

3<sup>rd</sup> Count: Possession of document containing false pretence contrary to **Sections 6**, **8** (b) and **1(3)** of the Advance Fee Fraud and Other Fraud Related Offences Act, No. 14 of 2006. He is alleged to have on or about the 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2020 in Lagos within the jurisdiction of this Court had in his possession several scam formats titled "declaration of love, love confession, you complete me" containing false pretence.

The Defendant having pleaded Guilty, the duty of the Court is one of conviction. The Defendant is accordingly hereby convicted on the 3 Counts as charged. In view of his timeous change of the plea, the Defendant is hereby sentenced to 6 months imprisonment on each of the 3 Counts which shall however run concurrently. He is

however hereby granted an option of a fine of N150,000:00K in lieu of his prison term.

This is the judgment of the Court.

HON.JUSTICE M.A. DADA (MRS)

JUDGE

(13/05/2020)

Defendant Present.
A.I. Emelike with B. A. Sholadomi for the Defendant A.G. C. Akaogu for the Prosecution