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**IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE OF KWARA STATE**  
**IN THE ILORIN JUDICIAL DIVISION**  
**HOLDEN AT ILORIN**

SUIT NO: KWS/95<sup>C</sup>/ 2023

**ON WEDNESDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JULY, 2023**

**BEFORE HIS LORDSHIP: HONOURABLE JUSTICE .M. ABDULGAFAR**

**BETWEEN:**

**FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA.....COMPLAINANT**

**AND**

**NURUDEEN ABDULMAJEED..... DEFENDANT**

**JUDGMENT**

1. The defendant was arraigned before this court on a lone count charge alleging as follows:

***COUNT 1***

*That you, Nurudeen Abdulmajeed, sometimes in April, 2023 in Ilorin, Kwara state, within the jurisdiction of this Honourable court, did cheat by personation, when you pretended to be one Kelly Lochlan via your instagram App and fraudulently deceived Colby Myers to send 240 Australian Dollars to you, thereby committed an offence contrary to section 321 of the penal code law and punishable under section 324 of the same Law.*

2. The defendant pleaded guilty after which the prosecution called Mr. Paul .O. Nkere, an investigating officer as the sole witness.

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It is the evidence of Pw1 that in early May, 2023, the EFCC, Ilorin Zonal Command received Intel about the activities of some internet fraudsters operating around Asadam, Egbejila area, Ilorin.

The defendant was arrested on 5<sup>th</sup> May after a sting operation was carried out by operative of the commission.

3. Pw1 states that search was conducted on the defendant that yielded in recovery of an iPhone 6. Pw1 also states that on accessing the device using the details provided by the defendant, it was discovered that he operates a fraudulent instagram account with name Kelly Loclan and induced one Colby Myers to send him \$240.

Pw1 further states that the defendant confessed to the commission of the crime in a statement he made while he restituted \$100 to the commission.

4. Mr. Akoja for the prosecution urges court to find the defendant guilty as charged considering the guilty plea, the evidence of Pw1 and exhibits 1-5.

Mr. Muhammed for the defendant on the other hand had nothing to plead on his behalf.

5. I have considered the evidence of Pw1 as well as exhibits 1-5. I find as a fact that the prosecution has established the case against the defendant beyond reasonable doubt.

I convict you, Nurudeen Abdulmajeed of cheating by personation when you fraudulently induced one Colby Myers to send you 240 Australian Dollars contrary to section 321 of the Penal Code Law.

#### SENTENCE

I have considered the plea of the convict for mercy. Taking into account that you are a first offender who has fully restituted, I sentence you

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Nurudeen Abdulmajeed to a term of 6 months at Ilorin Correctional Center, the sentence is hereby suspended subject to the supervision of Azeez Towoju of the Non-custodial unit of Federal Correctional Service, Ilorin. Exhibit 1 and 5 are forfeited to Federal Government of Nigeria.

*[Handwritten signature]*

HON JUSTICE M. ABDULGAFAR

JUDGE

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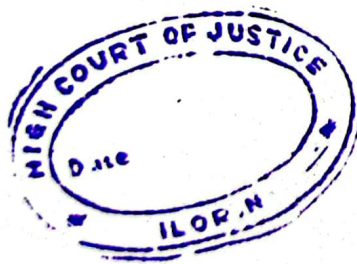
Appearances:

A.Akoja with M.M. Kaigama for prosecution.

J.S. Mohammed for the defendant.

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Chief clerical officer*

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