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RE: DOCKET SELLER GOT 5 YEARS

The Kimberley Magistrates Court sentenced Robert Kwayi (37), former court interpreter to five years imprisonment. The accused was arrested in April 2012 after police received information that he was paid R 1800-00 by some agent to destroy a docket of housebreaking with the intent to steal.

Advocate Andre J Smith argued that the accused should be sentenced to a term of direct imprisonment and referred the court to case law to substantiate his submissions. He argued that the accused did not show any remorse. He said this matter begs for a heavy punishment, as corruption involving the sale or destruction of dockets means that a criminal will be put back on the street without the necessary punishment.

Kwayi got five years imprisonment for corruption in terms of Section 276(1)(i) of Act 51 0f 1977.

The National Prosecuting Authority commends the prosecution team on the successful finalisation of this matter and we hope that this sentence will serve as a deterrent to people who commit similar offences.

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