



SERGEANT J. LEACH, (third from left) of Liverpool Police specially flown to Nigeria to testify in a case of unlawful importation of hemp into Britain against a Lagos woman discusses a point with (from left) Mr. J. Lynn, Assistant Commissioner, CID, Lagos; Mr. C. H. Miller, Ag. Deputy Director of Public Prosecutions; and Mr. J. Digby, Superintendent CID, Lagos.

'I nailed 'hemp' box for Madam Johnson'

AN Ijero carpenter in Ebute Metta, Mr. Julius Aboosed, told a Lagos Magistrate court yesterday at the resumed hearing in Madam Johnson's Indian Hemp case that he nailed the wooden box said to have contained Indian hemp, dried fish and pepper for Madam Johnson on November 11 and she paid "me 6d for my job".

He was giving evidence for the prosecution at the trial of a wealthy trader, 59-year-old Madam Angelina Ibijoke Johnson charged with exporting 15lbs of Indian hemp to the United Kingdom without a Customs permit.

Earlier, the court had delayed proceeding for about one hour when none of the four defence counsel was in court.

At 10.15 a.m., the court resumed and a new counsel, Mr. O. Oluwole announced that he was holding brief for Mr. E. A. Thomas one of the four defence counsel who failed to put in appearance.

INFORMATION

On November 27 last year, a day before Miss Kehinde Collins proceeded to the United Kingdom, the step son of Madam Johnson, Ezekiel Jobgenu called at Mr. Aboosed's workshop and informed him that his mother wanted him to do a job.

On reaching the house of Miss Collins along Apapa Road, witness went on, he

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