**THE REPUBLIC OF UGANDA**

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF UGANDA AT FORT PORTAL**

**HCT – 01 – CR – SC – 0084 OF 2015**

**UGANDA ...........................................................................PROSECUTOR**

**VERSUS**

**1. KASAIJA CHRISTOPHER alias AHEBWA SAIDI**

**2. RUYONGA ISIAIH ...............ACCUSED**

**3. TUHAIRWE JOHN**

**SENTENCING AND REASONS**

In the instant case A1 pleaded guilty to all the 3 Counts to wit: Count I murder, Count II murder, Count III aggravated robbery, and was convicted on his own plea of guilty.

I agree with the State Attorney that life is very precious and somebody cannot just take away another’s life regardless of whatever the person has done to him or her except in execution of a sentence passed in a fair trial by a Court of competent jurisdiction as per **Article 22** of the Constitution of the Republic of Uganda, 1995. Killing 2 people one aged 102 years and another aged 51 years in a brutal manner, stealing their property and setting them ablaze is not only illegal but unconstitutional. This kind of practice should be condemned in the strongest terms possible.

I agree that the convict did not waste Court’s time, is a first offender, a young father and the breadwinner of his family. In the premises I therefore sentence A1 to 20 years for Count I of murder, 20 years for Count II of murder and 20 years for Count III of aggravated robbery, which will run concurrently. The accused has been on remand for 2 years, he will therefore serve the remaining18 years in prison.

Right of Appeal explained.

Full trial will proceed for A2 and A3.

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**OYUKO. ANTHONY OJOK**

**JUDGE**

**27/9/16**

The sentence was read and delivered in open Court in the presence of;

1. The Regional State Attorney Ojok.
2. Counsel on state brief Kizito Deo.
3. Court Clerk Precious.
4. The accused.