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Police v (1) Henri Gabriel Rabenantenaina and (2) Yassir Mamod Rabenantenaina

1. The two Accused were found guilty of having committed the offence of money laundering in breach of sections 3(1)(b), 6(3) and 8 of the Financial Intelligence and Anti-Money Laundering Act.
2. The Accused had been intercepted on 10 January 2019 whilst in transit at the SSR International Airport and in possession of gold ingots, jewellery and foreign currencies. In sentencing the Accused parties, His Honour Mr Alvin Joypaul of the Financial Criminal Division of the Intermediate Court forfeited all the items and money linked to the money laundering offence in this case. These included the following:
 - a. 45 Gold ingots worth around Rs 38,000,000;
 - b. Gold jewellery;
 - c. 60,000 euros and 7800 USD
3. This is one of the most consequential forfeiture orders made by the Financial Criminal Divisions of the Intermediate Court. In all the forfeiture order amounts to more than Rs 40,000,000.
4. Besides witnesses from the local police and customs, two Malagasy officials testified remotely from Madagascar through audio/video link.
5. The Prosecution was represented by Mr J Muneesamy, Ag. Assistant DPP and Mr V Ellayah, Ag. Senior State Counsel from the Office of the DPP.