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- ...Reduces ranks of 2, as Corporal Bags 15 years imprisonment.
- ...Human Rights Commission Hails Transparency in trial
- By Kingsley Omonobi, Joseph Erunke-Abuja.
- The General Court Martial (GCM) sitting at 7 Division, Nigerian Army in Maiduguri, Borno State has concluded the cases of 5 soldiers bordering on violation of human rights and other operational offences in the counter-insurgency operation in the North East.

Delivering judgment, President of the Court, Brigadier General Olusegun Adeniyi disclosed the sentence of reduction in rank from Sergeant to Private in 2 count charges for Sgt Samuel Balanga who is convicted for desertion and miscellaneous offences. Similarly, the court sentenced

Private Chima Samuel who was convicted for aiding and abetting murder of a minor Yakubu Isah in Maiduguri to 15 years imprisonment.

Lance Corporal Hilary Joel who was convicted for murder of a suspected Boko Haram terrorist in Damboa was sentenced to death. Also Corporal Aliu Audu who was charged for assault was reduced to the rank of Private.

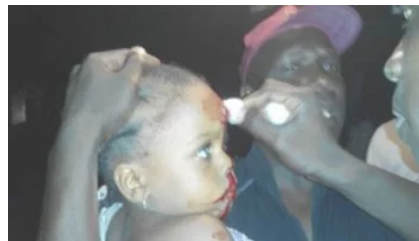
A statement confirming the sentences, signed by Lt. Col Kingsley Samuel, Deputy Director Army Public Relations said, " Trooper Sunday Ogwuche who was convicted for stealing and unlawful possession of 641 rounds of 7.62mm Special was sentenced to 2 years and 5 years imprisonment.

The representative of the National Human Rights Commission present in court, Barr Jumai Usman Mshelia who is the Commission Acting Zonal Coordinator in Borno State commended the Nigerian Army for the transparency in the trial of the accused soldiers .



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