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PRESS NOTE.

In a case filed in the court by the Wild Life Department of Delhi Administration against a dealer of Connaught Place, M/S Mv Furrriers, Manager Shri Mohd Sultan and Sales-Incharge Shri Mohd Yusuf for being in possession of "One Snow Leopard Skin Coat" as they failed to disclose legal source of procurement of the same. This case was detected with the help of Shri Peter Jackson, Director of Information, World Wild Life Fund, Switzerland. Shri Subhash Wason, Addl. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Delhi, has convicted all the 3 accused and imposed a fine of Rs.10,000/- to the firm and awarded imprisonment of one year each to the Manager and Sales-Incharge and a fine of Rs.5000/-each. In case of default of payment of fine each accused shall undergo S.I. for 6 months.

The learned Court has observed that the 'Snow Leopard' is hunted for its beautiful and valuable fur and is becoming scarce. The learned court has further observed that every specie of animal has its place in nature's plan and though the number of individual species may be in a state of dynamic flux and may not remain constant, the interaction of one specie with another is of great importance in maintaining that balance so essential to man and his crops, his health and eventually his survival. It has been held by the learned court that the accused by this act for the sake of earning money did not think of survival of Wild Life.