

Chinese woman petitions DPP over robbery case

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KAMPALA. A Chinese businesswoman has petitioned the Directorate of Public Prosecutions (DPP) challenging charges levied against two men who allegedly stole her property at gun-point.

Through her lawyers, Ms Cheng Xing, alleges that a charge of threatening violence against Mr Benjamin Ahimbisibwe Kasisi and Mr Benjamin Okoyet does not reflect the gravity of the offence committed by the accused and their accomplice, Ms

Juan Cheng.

"The accused (persons) robbed our client's property...a laptop computer, cheque books having taken them from the complainant's driver at her residence at gun point. The accused claim in their statement that they were sent to retrieve the laptop by a one Ms Juan," reads the complaint.

According to the complaint, Ms Juan, the proprietor of Sky Tour and Travel firm, was an accessory to the robbery as the accused acted on her instructions.

"As we hereby do, that you recall

this file for further review in light of the facts raised here with the view of amending the charges and parties charged," adds the statement.

Ms Xing, who operates Friendship International Tours and Travel firm, is a sister of Ms Juan.

DPP yet to act

Ms Jane Okuo, the spokesperson at the directorate, confirmed receiving the complaint.

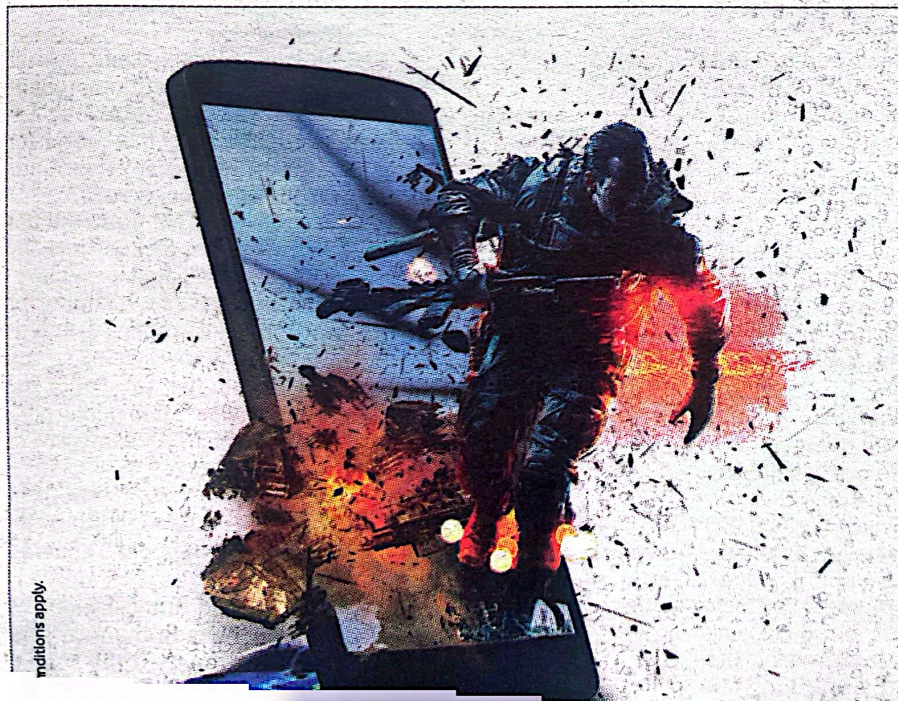
"We (DPP) are aware and received the complaint. We are yet to take action but still waiting for the second file to be forwarded to the headquar-

ters," said Ms Okuo, also a senior principal State attorney.

She said the directorate would review the case file in connection with the complaint before a decision is communicated.

The accused were charged before the magistrate's court at Nakawa and have since been released on bail pending trial.

Prosecution alleges that on September 15, 2015 the duo, while at Plot 24 Ismail Road in Kampala with intent to intimidate, injure, shoot and threaten violence against a one Fred Isabirye, Ms Xing's driver.



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