

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF JUDICATURE
IN THE HIGH COURT
(GENERAL JURISDICTION)
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THE REPUBLIC

VERSUS

KWABENA ADU-BOAHENE	A1
ANGELA ADJEI BOATENG	A2
MILDRED DONKOR	A3
ADVANTAGE SOLUTIONS LIMITED	A4


PROSECUTION WITNESS STATEMENT OF EDITH RUBY OPOKUA ADUMUAH

1. My name is EDITH RUBY OPOKUA ADUMUAH. I live and work in Accra. I am the Director of Finance at the National Signals Bureau (NSB). I have worked within the national security sector for 18 years. NSB was formally known as the Bureau of National Communications (BNC). In 2013, I was appointed as Head of Finance at the BNC. The BNC was then under the National Security Council Secretariat. I later became the Director of Finance at the NSB after the enactment of the NSB Act in 2020.
2. I know A1. In 2017, while I was already the Head of Finance at BNC, A1 was appointed the Director of BNC. From then on, I worked directly under him, through the Director of Finance at the National Security Council Secretariat.
3. As the Head of Finance, my core functions were to oversee financial activities of the Bureau, including preparation of annual budget for approval by Parliament, liaising with Ministry of Finance for release of funds, processing of transactions for payment and preparing of financial reports.
4. The BNC maintained three (3) bank accounts, namely, "Bureau of National Communications", which was the main account of the Bureau operated at Bank of Ghana (BoG); "Bureau of National Communications 2", which was an operational account domiciled at the BoG; and another operational account at Fidelity Bank named "The Director BNC". The signatories to the above three accounts were the National Security Coordinator at the time, the late JOSHUA KYEREMEH; the Director of BNC at the time, A1; and the Director of Finance, Ministry of National Security at that time, MR. SETH KWADWO DANSO.

5. The source of funding for the "Bureau of National Communications" account came from Government of Ghana (GoG), while the funding for the "Bureau of National Communications 2" account originated from diverse sources.
6. As part of my duties, I was the custodian of the cheque books of all the bank accounts held by the Bureau. My Lord, before a cheque payment was made on the main account, a request was made by the recipient Unit through the Head of Administration, who then forwarded the request to the Director BNC for approval after the necessary documents had been attached. Thereafter, the request was forwarded to me for payment. After the necessary documentation had been processed, I forwarded the documents to the Internal Audit Unit for certification. I, then, wrote to the Director BNC for approval to make payment. Thereafter, cheques were written for payment after the Director BNC had given authorization for payment.
7. The operational accounts, however, were managed by the Director of BNC and supervised by the National Security Coordinator. Thus, cheques were written upon the express instructions of the Director of BNC and reasons for payments were NEVER disclosed to the Head of Finance.
8. Before a cheque was signed on the operational account, A1 would give me instruction, either verbally in person or by a phone call, to write the cheque, after which I would hand it over to him (A1) for his signature and either I sent it to the late JOSHUIA KYEREMEH for signing or A1 would personally send it to him for signing. Whenever cheque deposits or withdrawals were to be made on the operational account, I either went to the bank to deposit the cheque or withdraw the money. Other times, too, A1 took possession of the cheque after the signing was completed or instruct me to hold on to it till a named person comes for it.
9. On February 6, 2020, A1 instructed me to write a cheque for Twenty-Seven Million One Hundred Thousand Ghana cedis (GH¢27,100,000.00) with "BNC Operations" as the payee. After writing the cheque I handed it over to A1 for the necessary signatures. My Lord, when A1 directed me to write the cheque with "BNC operations" as the payee, I understood the description to refer to an existing operational bank account belonging to the Bureau which I was not privy to due to my level of clearance. I later found out, when I was invited for questioning concerning this case that, that particular cheque was deposited into an account named "BNC Communications Bureau-Operations" at UMB Bank. I did not know this at the time I wrote the cheque for A1. I also found out from EOCO investigators that, that bank account belonged to a private company called "BNC Communication Bureau Limited", which is owned and controlled by A1 and A2.
10. Also, on **March 18, 2020**, A1 instructed me to write a cheque for One Million Ghana cedis (GH¢1,000,000.00) to be drawn on BNC's "The Director BNC" account at Fidelity Bank. Then, on **March 30, 2020**, I wrote another cheque for Twenty-One Million Ghana Cedis (GH¢21,000,000.00), also, to be drawn on the BNC's "The Director BNC" account at Fidelity Bank. I wrote this third cheque, too, on the instructions of A1. I wrote the second and third cheques also with "BNC

Operations" as the payee. After A1 and the late JOSHUA KYEREMEH had signed, A1 then gave me an account number and directed me to deposit the two cheques into "BNC Operations" bank account at UMB Bank.

11. I complied with A1's directive believing that "BNC Operations" bank account was an additional BNC operational account which I did not have the security clearance to know. I can identify the copies of cheque numbered **020086** for **GH¢ 27,100,000.00**, cheque numbered **020089** for **GH¢ 1,000,000.00**, and cheque numbered **020094** for **GH¢ 21,000,000.00** to the honourable Court.
12. The instructions from A1 to write the cheques in favour of "BNC Operations" and deposit same into the UMB account came to me as *unusual*. However, due to the "need-to-know" policy in our set-up I was unable to raise any question but rather carried out A1's instructions.
13. I know A3. I know that she used to be a member of staff of UMB bank. I also know that she left the UMB bank sometime in 2018. The two instances I mentioned above were not the only times that A1 sent me on bank errands at UMB Bank. Whenever A1 sent me to UMB Bank, while A3 was a member of staff, A1 directed specifically that I contact A3 to assist me in the transactions. I believed that A3 was A1's bank relationship officer. Even when A3 was no longer with the Bank, she (A3) would still refer me to deal specifically with another member of the bank staff to handle the transaction.
14. I know of ISC Holdings Limited. A1 gave me an invoice of Seven Million United States dollars (**US\$7,000,000.00**) to transfer funds to ISC Holdings Limited. The invoice was dated **September 1, 2020**. BNC commenced paying for this invoice on **October 15, 2020**. We made payment to ISC Holding Limited on the invoice from BNC's "The Director BNC" account at Fidelity Bank. I know that BNC paid as much as Three Million and One Hundred and Ten Thousand United States dollars (**US\$ 3,110,000.00**) in respect of this invoice. I have copies of the invoice and the payments. I wish to tender them in evidence (**INDEX EROA1**). This transaction is different from the transaction in respect of which A1, A2, A3 and A4 are being tried.


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EDITH RUBY OPOKUA ADUMUAH

STATEMENT OF TRUTH

I, EDITH RUBY OPOKUA ADUMUAH, verify that the statements contained in this witness statement are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.



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EDITH RUBY OPOKUA ADUMUAH

**DATED AT THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL, VICTORIABORG
(MINISTRIES), ACCRA, THIS 30TH DAY OF MAY, 2025.**

**TO:
THE REGISTRAR
HIGH COURT (GENERAL JURISDICTION)
ACCRA.**

AND TO THE ABOVE-NAMED ACCUSED PERSONS OR THEIR LAWYERS