

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND
AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

CRI 2009-404-42

CRI 2009-404-43

BETWEEN VEGAS KARA
 Appellant

AND NEW ZEALAND POLICE
 Respondent

Hearing: 28 April 2009

Appearances: Paul Heaslip for Appellant
 Sarah Pidgeon for Respondent

Judgment: 28 April 2009

JUDGMENT OF HARRISON J

SOLICITORS

PTR Heaslip (Auckland) for Appellant
Meredith Connell (Auckland) for Respondent

[1] Mr Vegas Kara has filed a notice of appeal against a sentence totalling 12 months imprisonment imposed in the District Court at Manukau on 13 February 2009 following his plea of guilty to two charges of unlawfully taking a motor vehicle, driving while disqualified, and driving recklessly.

[2] At the commencement of the hearing I advised Mr Heaslip of my power to increase the sentence on the ground of manifest inadequacy. Mr Heaslip has obtained instructions from Mr Kara to withdraw the appeal, which I dismiss accordingly.

Rhys Harrison J