

SUBSTANCE

Fair trial /right to have one's cause heard – article 7

Manifest errors at trial court

The African Court has the competency to review errors by national courts even when a national appeal court has ruled on them (*Alex Thomas v United Republic of Tanzania*, application 005/2013, judgment, 20 November 2015 para 130) Failure to determine ownership of property and discrepancies in description of the property alleged to have been stolen was deemed to violate the right to fair trial (*Thomas* para 131).