

DE Case 3 StR 149/18

On 17 February 2013, a UN civilian employee was kidnapped and held captive in a villa until his escape in October 2013, by a group sympathizing with Islamist ideas. The defendant, who did not belong to the group, spent at least 7 days in the villa. He knew about the kidnapping and its aim for ransom. The defendant sympathized with the plan, hence offered his support as guard for at least seven days. Sentenced to 3 years and 6 months' imprisonment at first instance, the decision was quashed at appeal, leading to the annulment of the sentence.