

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW ZEALAND

SC 25/2014  
[2014] NZSC 52

BETWEEN

KIM DOTCOM  
First Applicant

FINN BATATO  
Second Applicant

MATHIAS ORTMANN  
Third Applicant

BRAM VAN DER KOLK  
Fourth Applicant

AND

HER MAJESTY'S ATTORNEY-  
GENERAL  
Respondent

Court: Elias CJ and William Young J

Counsel: P J Davison QC, W Akel and H D L Steele for First Applicant  
G J S R Foley for Second, Third and Fourth Applicants  
D J Boldt for Respondent

Judgment: 5 May 2014

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**JUDGMENT OF THE COURT**

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- A Leave to appeal is granted.**
- B The approved question is whether the Court of Appeal was correct to allow the appeal from the High Court on the basis that the search warrants issued by the District Court under s 44 of the Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters Act 1992 were valid.**
- C The appeal is set down for hearing on 11 and 12 June 2014. The appellant's submissions are to be filed and served by 4 pm on 19 May 2014. The respondent's submissions are to be filed and served by 4 pm on 3 June 2014.**
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Solicitors:  
Simpson Grierson, Auckland for Applicants  
Crown Law Office, Wellington for Respondent