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GEORGE TOWN: A Thai woman was freed by a High Court of two drug trafficking charges without having her defence called.

Penang High Court Judicial Commissioner Datuk Abdul Wahab Mohamed acquitted and discharged Nantawan Aranratchapisan, in her 30s, at the end of the prosecution's case.

However, JC Abdul Wahab ordered Low Song Kim, 60, who was jointly charged with Nantawan, to enter his defence as the prosecution had succeeded in proving a prima facie case against him.

Low and Nantawan were jointly charged with trafficking in 101.06gm of heroin and 16.34gm of monoacetylmorphines at a house in Taman Merbau, Bagan Ajam, Butterworth, at around 4.30am on Dec 21, 2013.

Both were also jointly charged with a second charge of trafficking in 647.19gm of methamphetamine at the same place, time and day.