

Man gets 10-month jail for punching brother in quarrel over use of car

KUCHING: The Magistrates' Court here yesterday sentenced a man to 10 months in prison for punching his brother during an argument over the use of their father's car.

Magistrate Ling Hui Chuan convicted Mohd Mubin Abdul Manaf, 31, on his own guilty plea to a charge under Section 323 of the Penal Code read together with Section 326A of the same law.

He was charged with

voluntarily causing hurt to his 47-year-old brother by punching him in the face at a house in Kampung Tupong Tengah, Jalan Astana here at around 9.20am on Sept 23 this year.

Based on the facts of the case, a quarrel broke out between the siblings when the victim and other family members refused to let Mohd Mubin drive their father's car as he did not have a licence.

The accused flew into a rage and struck the victim in the face, causing a cut on his chin.

The victim also suspected that the accused was under the influence of drugs.

Fearing for his safety and other family members, the victim lodged a police report which led to the accused's arrest the next day.

Insp Nur Shafiq Nyaie Ilin prosecuted, while Mohd Mubin was unrepresented.