

MEMORANDUM FOR CABINET BY THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRIAL
DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

Exemption from Import Duty on a motor car for
Miss Tessie Frendo

Miss Tessie Frendo has filed a request for the waiving of duty on a motor car with Reselco Conversion. She suffers from a disability resulting from the after effects of an attack of polio 14 years ago.

Reports by the Director of Emigration, Labour and Social Welfare and by the Chief Government Medical Officer have been received. As regards the financial situation the D.E.L.S... reports that Miss Frendo has a balance of £200 in her favour in the shape of Defence Bonds and that she earns £9 per week as a Secretary to Supermarkets Ltd. Miss Frendo lives with her mother who is in receipt of Old Age Pension amounting to £1. 5s. -d. per week.

The report by the Medical and Health Department, signed by the Senior Occupational Health Officer is to the effect that Miss Frendo can drive a car which is fully hand controlled and the use of such a car is recommended in the report.

From both aspects the Comptroller of Customs considers the case to be deserving and he recommends the request for exemption. It is, however, considered advisable to provide for the eventuality of applicant not proving herself competent to obtain a Police licence to drive a car. It was in fact suggested to Miss Frendo that she take a driving test under Police supervision on a similar car but this suggestion did not prove feasible because it is not possible to obtain a similar car for such a purpose.

A condition will be included in the proposed Exemption Order that Miss Frendo is to obtain a driving licence within three months of the delivery of the car.

Hon. Ministers are invited to agree that His Excellency the Governor General be asked to sign the relative Exemption Order under Section 14 of the Import Duties Act, 1964.

4th May, 1965.