

✓ Meeting No. 15/62.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge
d'Aragon, Valletta, on Tuesday, 20th
November, 1962, at 10.30 am.

Present: The Hon. Prime Minister and Minister
of Economic Planning & Finance.
The Hon. Minister of Education
The Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Power
& Communications
The Hon. Minister of Justice
The Hon. Minister of Works and
Housing.
The Hon. Minister of Health.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Industrial
Development & Tourism.
The Hon. Minister of Labour and
Social Welfare.
He were on duty abroad.

The minutes of Meeting No. 14/62
were read and confirmed.

PH. 701/35.

International Convention for the suppression
of Counterfeiting Currency. (Memo. No. 61).

The attention of the Malta
Government had been drawn to the
Counterfeit (Convention) Act, 1935, wherein
the United Kingdom Government was making

such amendments of the U.K. Law as to enable the Convention to be ratified on behalf of the United Kingdom. It was suggested that the Malta Government might wish to review the position and make its legislation conform to the rules contained in the Convention.

The Cabinet agreed that the S. of S. be informed that since (a) Maltese law provided ample protection against coinage and paper currency offences, (b) no coinage offences had occurred since 1939 and (c) there might be practical difficulties in the way of the adopting some of the formalities of the Convention to their full extent, the Government of Malta did not consider it necessary to accede to this Convention.

Sec. 1033/60. Air Transport Licensing Authority (Mev. No. 67)
The Hon. Mr. E. Cuschieri, Administrative Secretary, was in attendance.

The Cabinet agreed to the constitution of the Licensing Authority up to the 31st December, 1963, as follows:-

The Administrative Secretary, Chairman.

The Director of Civil Aviation.

The Comptroller of Customs.

The Director of Industrial Development.

The Chairman of the Malta Government

Tourist Board.

The Director of Civil Aviation to act also

as Secretary of the Authority.

0101. 733/56.

Amendment to the Regulations governing school passes. (Memo. No. 68).

The Commissioner of Police in conjunction with the Luffie Central Board had suggested that

(i) passes should be issued to all school children, but only those issued to students over 18 years of age should contain a photograph of the holder;

(ii) the General Transport Union should be informed of the number of passes issued yearly;

(iii) passes issued to children up to the age of 14 years should bear the date when the holder reaches the age of 14 years;

(iv) the passes of students between 14 and 18 years of age should be changed every year and, if possible, should have different colours for each year; alternatively the year of the validity of the passes should be shown on the document, as in the case of car licences.

The Cabinet agreed to the draft amendments to the First Schedule of the Code of Police Laws (Chapter 13) and other consequential amendments which had been submitted by the Commissioner of Police and vetted by the Legal Member of the Luffie Central Board, to give effect to the above recommendations of the Board.

Sec. 2408/59. Hotel at Paradise Bay. Messrs. The
Minster Property Developments Co. (Malta)
Ltd. (Demo. No. 50).

Mr. S. Margoni, Director of Public Works, was
in attendance.

It was again explained
that the previous administration had
granted to the Minster Property Develop-
ment Co. (Malta) Ltd. a plot of land at
Marfa on emphyteusis for 150 years at
a pondrent of £150 a year for the
purpose of erecting a resort hotel
and ancillary chalets, residential
villas, restaurants, shops, offices and
other buildings.

The Ministers saw the
plans of the project and the reports of
the Director of Public Works thereon and
agreed that H.E. the Governor be advised
to approve these plans subject to the
alterations proposed in the reports of
the Public Works Department.

Sec. 2084/61. Hotel at Cirkewwa. Mr. Charles Halsted.
(Demo. No. 56).

Mr. S. Margoni, Director of Public Works, was in
attendance.

The Cabinet was informed
that Mr. Charles S. Halsted had applied
for assistance under the Aids to Industries
Ordinance in connexion with the construction
of a 45 room (75 beds) hotel at Cirkewwa.

The Malta Government Forestry Board had recommended, and the Cabinet agreed, that

a) the land edged in red on plan be granted an emphyteusis for a period of 150 years under usual conditions;

b) H.C. the Government be advised to issue the following Orders in favour of Halstead Taylor & Co. Ltd.:

i) Aids to Industries (Halstead Taylor and Co. Ltd.) (Relief from Income Tax) for a period of ten years;

ii) Aids to Industries (Halstead Taylor and Co. Ltd.) (Relief from Customs Duty) for three years from January 1, 1963.

c) The Secretary of State be asked to approve that the maximum of the grant be increased to £6,900.

CM. 195/59. Building development at Zurrig Road, Salfi.
(Memo. No. 45)

Her Ministers had inspected the remains of the Roman wall along Zurrig Road, Salfi, which the Antiquities Committee wished to preserve and which was holding up the building development amounting to £17,000 by the access of the land along the road.

Before deciding on whether this wall should be removed or bypassed the Cabinet wished to have experts

advice on the matter.

Confirmation of written opinion.

The files mentioned hereunder were circulated to Hon. Ministers whose written decisions were as follows:—

OPM. 1259/62. - H.E. the Governor was advised to make the Fishing (Amendment) Regulations, 1962.

Ins. 2343/58 - H.E. the Governor was advised to make the Exchange Control (Definition of Scheduled Territories) (Amendment) (No 2) Order, 1962.

The Hon. Minister of Economic Planning & Finance was given the general authority of the Cabinet to submit similar Orders to H.C. the Governor directly without the necessity of consulting the Cabinet as a whole.

OPM. 795/62 - H.C. the Governor was advised to approve that Mr. E. Spiteri, a paraplegic, be allowed to pay a reduced licence fee of 2/6 per annum in respect of his car specially

adapted to suit his physical deficiency.

OPM 580/62.

N.B. The Governor was advised to declare the "Corinthia Palace", Attard, as an approved catering establishment, in terms of section 25 of Ordinance ~~XX~~ of 1960.

M.P.D. 357/62

N.B. The Governor was advised to approve that a licence to keep a still at "Das Fibra", St. Anthony Street, Buzgan, be issued to Mr. J. Luceri for the preparation of distilled water.

OPM 1184/58

N.B. The Governor was advised to appoint members on the Rent Regulation Boards.

M.P.G. 310/50

The Secretary of State was informed that a declaration accepting the provisions of D.L.O. Convention No. 108, without modification, might be deposited with the D.L.O. in respect of Malta.

Pol. 1041/56

N.B. The Governor was advised to authorize the issue of a licence to carry firearms for sporting purposes to

Mr. Paolo Bolognini and a
license to purchase a
shotgun to the Consul della

LFO 6942/46 - N.E. The Governor was advised
to order that an extraordinary
meeting of the Licensing
Board be convened.

OPD 8444/48 - N.E. The Governor was advised
to sign Order exempting
the French Consul from
payments of Customs duty
on ten dozen bottles of
champagne.

Luc. 2510/59 - N.E. The Governor was advised
to sign Order exempting from
import duty a quantity of
cigars imported by M. P.
Bosovic and by Messrs. Spiter
& Birk, and to dispose of
a quantity of socks, porcelain
miniatures and cigarettes
held by the Comptroller of
Customs.

Luc. 1804/61 - N.E. The Governor was advised
to authorize the Malta branch
of the Bank of Alderney Ltd.
to act as authorized dealer
in relation to all foreign
currencies.

- OPM. 344/62 - H.E. the Governor was advised to authorize the appointment of Lo. S. Cold Chamber at Cornara Cold Stores, 15 Spencer Hill, Messa, as a bonded warehouse.
- OPM. 803/62 - H.E. the Governor was advised to authorize the appointment of premises at No. 102, Kogi Ditch Road, Goprena, as a private bonded store.
- OPM. 805/62 - H.E. the Governor was advised to sign Order exempting Mr. Cornelio Drecilly from the payment of Customs duty on certain materials.
- Sec. 514/59 - H.E. the Governor was advised to make the Code of Police Laws (First Schedule) (Amendment) (No. 2) Order, 1962.
- Sec. 1991/61 - The Secretary of State was informed that the Government accepted in toto the Convention against Discrimination in Education and the provisions of a draft protocol instituting a Conciliation and Good Offices Committee competent to seek a settlement of any dispute which may arise between States which

and

are parties to the
Convention.

OP/E/482/49. - HE the Governor was advised
to approve the publication
of a notice giving the
office hours of the joint
Savings Bank in Sogo.

OPM. 902/62 - HE the Governor was advised
to make the Imports Duties
(Assimilation) Regulations
1962.

OPM. 895/62 - HE the Governor was advised
to approve the exemption
from donation duty on
£2001.10.- granted to
St. Dominic's Church,
Rabat, by Surgeon Major
Satt.

OPM. 755/62 - HE the Governor was advised
to approve the exemption
from donation duty on
£3000 nominal 3½% loan
granted to the Royal
University of Malta by Dr. C.F.
Colombes, B.C. U.S.

George Plummer
Prime Minister
27. 11. 62

Secretary to Cabinet
24. 11. 62