MEMCRANDUM FOR THE CABINET BY THE HCN. FRIME MINISTER

Administration of the Oath by the Chairman of a Board of Enquiry

At the request of the Chief Government Medical Officer a Board of Enquiry was appointed at minute 6 to investigate into certain store irregularities existing at the Isolation Hospital. It was left to the discretion of the Board whether it was necessary that the Board be authorised to administer the oath. Mr. J. Caruana, the Chairman, has now written at red 18 requesting that the Board be given this power. He has explained verbally that the Board consider that this is advisable in view of the considerable number and value of items involved.

2. Hon. Ministers are asked whether they agree that H.E. the Governor be advised to empower Mr. J. Caruana, Chairman of a Board of Enquiry, to administer the oath, in terms of Clause 3 of the Committee of Enquiry Act, 1948.

24th January, 1963.