

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CABINET BY HONOURABLE JUSTICE
Arkivji Nazzjonali ta' Malta
AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS.

Salina Bay Hotel

It is proposed to grant to the Salina Bay Hotel Co. Ltd. a site at Salina measuring 6,656 square canes on a 99-year lease for the construction of a hotel.

The rental value of the site was assessed by the Land Department at £6,656 per annum (£1 per sq. cane p.a.) subject to review every 25 years. However, in accordance with a decision taken in Cabinet on the 14th March, 1967 the ground rent to be charged in this case, as in the case of any other 'old application' was to be at a non-commercial rate. The site was therefore offered to the Company at the reduced rate of £1,330 per annum (i.e. one fifth of the commercial rate).

The Company did not accept to pay ground rent at this reduced rate, but in the meantime the land has been occupied and construction of the hotel is in an advanced stage.

The Company is now proposing that it should pay a token rent of £100 per annum for the first ten years of the emphyteutical concession, and the reduced rent of £1,330 p.a. for the remaining 89 years.

Honourable Ministers are kindly asked to decide:

- (a) whether the site should be granted at the rent of £1,330 p.a. with effect from the beginning of the concession.
- (b) whether rent should be at the token rent of £100 for the first ten years, and at £1,330 p.a. thereafter, as proposed by the Company.

29th November, 1967.