

MEMORANDUM TO CABINET BY THE HON MINISTER OF PUBLIC BUILDING AND WORKS

Application to build a Hotel at Mellieha Road Selmun

An application has been received at the Public Works Department for the erection of villas and a hotel at lands at Tax-Xemgħa, Mellieha Road, Selmun (copy of site plan enclosed)

The site falls in the preservation zone of the North West Regional Plan, and as such the application to build villas was refused. However, the Town Planning Board, mostly because of Government's policy to encourage hotels, recommend the erection of a hotel of medium size and of a height not exceeding three storeys.

The Director of Public Works is of the opinion that a licence to build a hotel in this locality would certainly commit Government into the cost of extending the services, which is bound to be considerable. Moreover, it would also be used later on, as reason for permission to build villas which could be called serviced villas to make it attractive to Government but which in fact would be independent villas for sale or letting.

Hon Ministers are kindly requested to consider whether further action on this application should be taken and permit issued.

26th December, 1967.