

✓ Sitting No 23/64

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge d'Oron,
Valletta, on Tuesday, 4th August, ¹⁹⁶⁴ at 11 am & 7 pm
and on Wednesday, 5th August 1964 at 10.20 am.

Present: The Hon. Prime Minister
The Hon. Minister of Industrial
Development & Tourism
The Hon. Minister of Education
The Hon. Minister of Agriculture
Power & Communications
The Hon. Minister of Justice
The Hon. Minister of Workers Housing
The Hon. Minister of Labour &
Social Welfare
The Hon. Minister of Health.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Labour &
Social Welfare on 4th August
The Hon. Minister of Industrial
Development & Tourism on
4th August at 7 pm & on
5th August

Various items in connection with
the Malta Independence celebrations were
discussed.

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Coat of Arms of Malta

(Prof. J. J. Demona, Mr J. Grech,
Dr V. Depaepe, and Chev. Vincenzo
Bonello were in attendance)

The Cabinet considered a fresh design depicting the form of Coat-of-Arms after Independence. After discussion it was agreed that the guns be replaced by an olive branch and by a palm leaf and that Mr. Exica should take the design with him to London to do the needful. It was also decided to consider further the motto of the Coat-of-Arms at another meeting of the Cabinet.

Independence Arena

The Cabinet considered a suitable place where the celebrations could be held. It was agreed that the celebrations be held at the Gloriana Parade Ground and that the Director of Public Works be asked to have stands erected to accommodate as many people as possible. The Commissioner of Police found no police objection to the holding of celebrations at that place.

Invitations to Independence Celebrations.

Cabinet considered a list for invitations to various countries, organizations, and persons, prepared by the Committee for the Malta Independence Celebrations. It was agreed that invitations be issued as follows:-

List of Countries, Organizations and Persons
invited to the Celebrations to mark the
Independence of Malta

United Kingdom	12
Canada	2
Commonwealth of Australia	2
New Zealand	2
India	2
Pakistan	2
Ceylon	2
Ghana	2
Malaysia	2
Federal Republic of Nigeria	2
Republic of Cyprus	2
Sierra Leone	2
United Republic of Tanganyika and Zanzibar	2
Jamaica	2
Trinidad and Tobago	2
Uganda	2
Kenya	2
Malawi	2

Southern Rhodesia	2
Northern Rhodesia	2
Gambia	2

Albania	2
Algeria	2
Belgium	2
Bolivia	2
Brazil	2
China (Formosa)	2
Czechoslovakia	2
Denmark	2
France	2
Federal Republic of Germany	2
Greece	2
Holy See	2
Iceland	2

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Republic of Ireland	2
Israel	2
Italy	2
Ivory Coast	2
Lebanon	2
Libya	2
Luxembourg	2
Monaco	2
Morocco	2
Netherlands	2
Norway	2
Portugal	2
Union of Soviet Socialist Republics	2
Spain	2
Switzerland	2
Syria	2
Tunisia	2
Turkey	2
United Arab Republic	2
United States of America	2
Yugoslavia	2

United Nations - Secretary General or representative	2
United Nations Technical Assistance Board - Executive Chairman or representative	2
International Labour Organization - Director General or representative	2
United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization - Director General or representative	2
NATO - Secretary General or representative	2
The Rt. Hon. Mr Duncan Sandys, Mrs Sandys and Miss Sandys	3
The Apostolic Delegate to Great Britain	1
ICEM - Director General or representative	2
WHO - Director General or representative	2
FAO - Director General or representative	2
Commonwealth Parliamentary Association - 2 delegates and wives	4
International Bank of Reconstruction and Development, or representative	2
President, British Council	2

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Chairman, Inter-University Council for Higher Education	2
Dr C. Colombos, Q.C.	1
Mr B. Lindsay Fynn	2
The Grandmaster, Sovereign Military Order of Malta	2
Sir William Dobbie	2
Lord Douglas of Barloch	2
Sir Edmond Schreiber	2
Sir Gerald Creasy	2
Sir Robert Laycock	2
Sir Guy Grantham	2
Major Patrick Wall	2
Lord Colyton	2
Sir William Teeling	1
Sir Peter Agnew	2
Mr W.R. van Straubenzee	2
Mr F.M. Bennett	2
The Chief Minister of Mauritius	2

Ministers' List - one each

Professor and Signora Gedda	2
Hon. D.B. Sangster, Jamaica	2
L-Onor. Signor L.Morganti, Cancelliere, Segreteria di Stato per gli Affari Esteri Repubblica di San Marino	2
L-Onor. Senatore Gui e Signora Gui	2
Mr and Mrs Downer	2
Mr and Mrs G. Rippon	2
* (Guest of Dr Felice)	2
Lord Chandos	2
Lord Boyd of Merton	2
The Rt.Hon. R. Maudling	2
The Rt.Hon. Iain MacLeod	2
Prof. W. Stolper	2
Mr A. Pardo	2
* MR CONRAD N. HILTON	1
* MBE MRS ED. B. Jordan	2
Sir John Hunter & Lady Hunter	2

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8th September National Activities

The Cabinet considered a provisional programme for the holding of national festivities on the 8th September 1964. It was agreed that only the following items be held:-

Religious functions
Laying of wreaths at monuments
Address on Great Ridge Square
Glowlighting of public buildings.

Independence Celebrations Fund

It was agreed that a fund be set up to raise funds to meet part of the expenditure in connection with the Independence Celebrations.

The minutes of meeting on 22/64 were read and confirmed.

Colley Pleyry
Prime Minister 28/8/64

Prof. Debono
Secretary to Cabinet.
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