

✓ Sitting No. 3/65.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge  
d'Argon, Valletta, on Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> January,  
1965, at 10.30 am.

Presents: Hon. Prime Minister  
Hon. Minister of Education  
Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Power  
& Communications.  
Hon. Minister of Justice  
Hon. Minister of Works and Housing  
Hon. Minister of Labour & Social  
Welfare.  
Hon. Minister of Health

Absents: Hon. Minister of Industrial  
Development & Tourism who  
was away from the Island  
on official business.

The minutes of  
Meeting No. 2/65 were read and confirmed

Sec. 1674/61.

Local Planning Legislation (Deno. No. 360).

It was agreed that  
a) Act XV of 1962 be amended  
by extending the period of three years  
for the preparation of planning schemes

by a further period of two years, before the established time lapses on the 16<sup>th</sup> February, 1965;

b) Sect XV of 1962 be amended, also in such a way as to allow owners of proposed buildings to pay twenty-five per cent of the amount for road construction before building works are taken in hand and the balance in equal monthly instalments, provided the total contribution was paid within one year; and

c) The Board set up to draft Town and Country Planning Legislation (minutes 25 and 49 in file) be asked to ~~expedite~~ submit their reports without further delay.

OPM. 48/65.

Extension of Sect 11 of 1949 (The Housing Act) (Memo. No. 361).

It was explained that the Housing Act (Sect 11 of 1949) was due to expire on the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 1965, and it was therefore proposed that it should be extended for a further period of 12 months, i.e. up to the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 1966. The Cabinet agreed to the proposal and to the suggestion that meanwhile consideration be given to incorporating the Act with all necessary amendments into permanent legislation.

OPM. 41/65

General Authority of the Cabinet regarding housing

to exercise the profession of Advocate.

The Cabinet granted to the Hon. Prime Minister its general authority to submit to H.E. the Governor-General direct warrants to exercise the profession of Advocate without the necessity of consulting the Cabinet as a whole.

OPM. 2250/58.

New Policy regarding agricultural Holdings  
(Memo. No. 38)

(Dr. E. Higgs, Commissioner of Land, was in attendance)

The Commissioner of Land was asked to expedite the implementation of the new policy regarding agricultural Holdings, as approved in Cabinet on the 13<sup>th</sup> November, 1962, and 14<sup>th</sup> May, 1963. The new policy had now become urgent and it was to be put into operation without further delay.

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Prime Minister  
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Secretary to Cabinet.  
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