

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CABINET  
BY THE HON. THE ACTING PRIME MINISTER

Commissions in the Malta Territorial Forces

Section 5 of the Malta Territorial Forces Ordinance (Chapter 168) states that "the Governor may grant commissions in the Force".

2. It has been established that the power referred to in the preceding paragraph is exercisable by the Governor in consultation with and on the advice of the Cabinet.

3. The Regulations made under section 4 of the Ordinance provide, inter alia, for appointing, transferring, posting, attaching or otherwise dealing with men of the Force; for a Reserve of the Force; and for the grant of the Territorial Efficiency Decoration to such members of the Force as qualify for it.

4. Hon. Ministers are therefore kindly requested to say whether they agree that the following appointments, promotions, retirements, etc, in the Malta Territorial Forces (recommendations for which have been made by the General Officer Commanding) be made to take effect from the dates stated:-

- (a) Resignation at own request of Lt. B.P. Bugeja, R.M.A. (T) with effect from 1st August, 1962;
- (b) Promotion of Capt. J. Bonnici, E.D., K.O.M.R. and Capt. E.E. Ebejer, E.D., K.O.M.R. to the rank of Major with effect from 20th June, 1962 and 15th August, 1962 respectively;
- (c) Promotion of Lieut. M.P. Calascione, K.O.M.R. to the rank of Captain with effect from 15th August, 1962;

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- (d) Transfer of Lt. Col. C.L. Borg, E.D., K.O.M.R. from the Active List to the Territorial Reserve of Officers with effect from 15th August, 1962, retaining his present rank and seniority;
- (e) Promotion of Captain J.M. Galea, E.D., R.M.A. (T) and Captain P.P. Formosa, E.D., R.M.A.(T) to the rank of Major with effect from 28th March, 1962, and 28th May, 1962, respectively;
- (f) Promotion of Major B.F. Amato Gauci, E.D., K.O.M.R. to Lt. Col. with effect from 15th August, 1962;
- (g) Retirement of Major J. Bartolo Parnis, M.B.E., E.D., K.O.M.R. with effect from 18th June, 1962;
- (h) Grant of Territorial Efficiency Decoration to Captain M.L. Petrocochino, R.M.A.(T) and Captain L.E. Sullivan, R.M.A.(T);
- (i) Transfer of Major L.F. Marich, E.D., R.M.A.(T) from the Active List to the Territorial Force Reserve of Officers with effect from 28th May, 1962;
- (j) Transfer of Lieut J. Ciappara, R.M.A.(T) from the Active List to the Territorial Force Reserve of Officers with effect from 24th March, 1962, retaining his present rank and seniority;
- (k) Resignation at own request of Captain A.S. Abela R.M.A.(T) with effect from 15th August, 1962;
- (l) Transfer of Major V.H. D'Ugo, E.D., R.M.A.(T) from the Active List to the Territorial Force Reserve of Officers with effect from 28th March, 1962;
- (m) Transfer of Captain R.H. Marks, R.M.A.(T) to the Unattached List with effect from 2nd September, 1962.

5. Hon. Ministers are also asked whether they agree that, in order that the Agenda of the Cabinet may not be cluttered with matters of this sort, the Prime Minister should, in future, have the delegated authority of the Cabinet to submit these matters direct to His Excellency without the necessity of consulting the Cabinet as a whole.