

MEMORANDUM FOR CABINET BY THE MINISTER OF
INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM

Crystal Chandeliers imported by the Cathedral Chapter of Gozo

To commemorate the first centenary from the erection of the diocese of Gozo the Cathedral Chapter is importing a set of crystal chandeliers for use at the cathedral church of St. Mary.

2. His Lordship the Bishop of Gozo in recommending the Chapter's application for total exemption from payment of customs duty requested that such exemption should be a token of the Government's contribution towards the celebrations. The value of the chandeliers is stated to be £3,100 and the duty involved amounts to £1,240.

3. Government had entertained favourably a similar request when a silver pedestal to form the base of the titular statue of the same cathedral was imported in 1962 as it was considered that the church situated in the Citadel was of national importance and possessed also certain peculiar touristic values.

4. In view of the Centenary festivities to be held in Gozo in the near future Hon. Ministers are invited to agree that total exemption from duty be granted in this case too. The Governor General would then be asked to sign an Exemption Order under section 14 (1) of Act No. XI of 1964.

14th October, 1964.