

Memorandum for Cabinet by the Minister of
Industrial Development and Tourism

Import Duties (Drawback on Exported Liquefied
Petroleum Gas) Order, 1965

The Malta Gas Board have recently been awarded a contract for the supply of bottled liquefied petroleum gas to North Africa. The contract is for the exportation of about 6,000 kgs. gas per week.

2. They have therefore put up a claim for drawback in respect of the duty paid on Liquefied Petroleum Gas exported from these Islands.

3. Section 19 of the Import Duties Act, 1964 provides inter alia that the Governor General may by order published in the Government Gazette allow drawback on **exportation** or shipment as stores as respects import duties paid on the importation of goods specified in the order.

4. It is proposed that local exporters who import liquefied petroleum gas in bulk should be enabled to obtain a refund of duty charged on such imported gas, when such gas is exported or shipped as stores from these Islands. This measure will promote the export trade of these islands and, therefore, is in the public interest. In order to give effect to the proposal the attached Draft Order, which has been vetted by the Crown Advocate General, has been prepared.

5. Hon. Ministers are invited to agree that the Order be submitted to the Governor General for approval.

23rd August, 1965.

IMPORT DUTIES ACT, 1964

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Date of Commencement:

IN exercise of the powers conferred by subsection (9) of section 19 of the Import Duties Act, 1964, the Governor General has made the following order:-

1. This order may be cited as the Import Duties (Drawback on Exported Liquified Petroleum Gas) Order, 1965. Citation
2. Subject to the provisions of the Import Duties Act, 1964 and of article 3 hereof, a drawback of the import duty charged on liquified petroleum gas imported in bulk shall be allowed when such gas is exported or shipped as stores from these Islands in cylinders. Drawback on exportation of liquified petroleum gas
3. (1) Liquified petroleum gas in cylinders which is about to be exported or shipped as stores shall be weighed by officers of Customs, at such place as may be determined by the Comptroller of Customs, at the exporter's expense and after such weighing the gas cylinders shall be sealed in the presence of such officers. Customs control
- (2) For the purposes of the weighing required in accordance with the provisions of paragraph (1) of this article the exporter shall give the Comptroller of Customs not less than three days' notice in writing of the date on which it is intended to export the bottled gas or ship it as stores and such notice shall contain particulars of the place at which and the hours during which such weighing may be carried out.