

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CABINET BY THE  
MINISTER OF JUSTICE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS

Request by Messrs. A. Vella & Fils Ltd. for a  
99 year lease of land at Salina for development  
as a Roadhouse Restaurant

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Messrs. A. Vella & Fils hold on lease from Government the building known as Salina Palace and a plot of land at Salina. This lease is due to expire on the 31st December, 1971. The tenants however have an option to an extension of the lease for a further eight years at a re-assessed rent.

Messrs. A. Vella & Fils have applied for a 99 year emphyteutical lease of the Salina Palace and an adjoining plot of Government land. The site applied for is shown coloured red in the attached plan No. L.D. 444/66.

Government does not normally give out land by direct allocation for development of tourist projects other than hotels.

In this case the following circumstances may be considered:-

- a) The Company in order to help Government **out** waived its rights of lease over a plot of land measuring 3T. 2M. 3M., which was required for allocation to the Salina Bay Hotel Company Ltd.
- b) Part of the land being applied for is already held on lease by the Company which would be entitled to remain in possession up to 1979.
- c) The "Salina Palace" building is in a bad condition and required costly extraordinary repairs estimated at about £5,000. for which Government may be liable.
- d) The Company is prepared to spend a considerable amount on repairs and/or new constructions.

The Director of Public Works has no adverse remarks provided space is allowed for the car park and there are no openings on to the road.

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Hon. Ministers are asked to decide whether in the circumstances the Company's request for a 99 year lease of the land shown coloured red on Plan No. L.D. 444/66 should be acceded to in principle, subject to such conditions as would be approved by Government.

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