## MEMORANDUM FOR THE CABINET BY THE MINISTER RESPONSIBLE FOR PRISONS

Proposed amnesty on the occasion of the installation of Monsignor Nichol Cauchi as Bishop of Gozo.

On the occasion of the installation of Monsignor Nichol Cauchi as Bishop of Gozo, the granting of an amnesty is proposed. The amnesty involves all prisoners serving their sentence in Corradino Civil Prison and who are not recidivists, who will have their outstanding period of sentence yet to be served in the prison reduced by thirty days.

The amnesty will apply only to sentences restrictive of personal liberty and shall not apply to any term of imprisonment or detention resulting from the non-payment of any fine or other pecuniary penalty imposed by any Court of Justice.

Should a prisoner forfeit any remission to which he is entitled under the Prisons Regulations for good conduct and industry, the amount of remission granted to the prisoner by virtue of the amnesty shall be reduced by the amount of the remission so forfeited.

The prerogative of mercy is exercised by the Governor-General under section 94 of the Constitution on the advice of the Cabinet or of a Minister acting under the general authority of the Cabinet.

Hon. Ministers may wish to consider the above.

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