

✓ Sitting No. 55/66.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambassade d'Argon, Valletta, on Tuesday, 27th December, 1966, at 11 am.

Present: The Hon. Prime Minister
 The Hon. Minister of Public Building
 & Works.
 The Hon. Minister of Justice and
 Parliamentary Affairs.
 The Hon. Minister of Trade,
 Industry and Agriculture
 The Hon. Minister of Health.
 The Hon. Minister of Education,
 Culture & Tourism.
 The Hon. Minister of Labour,
 Employment & Welfare.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Finance,
 Customs & Ports.

The minutes of meetings
 Nos. 53 and 54/66 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 1493/66. Mortgage of the M.V. "Angela Bella".

The Cabinet agreed that
 H.E. the Governor-General be advised to sanction
 the mortgage of the M.V. "Angela Bella" whose
 registered owners are The Mediterranean
 Trading Shipping Co. Ltd. of 17 Bernina Street,
 Valletta, in the sum of £20,000 with

interest in favour of the National Bank of Malta.

DT 4402/66.

Importation of Antipollmans.

Arising out of the minutes of the Cabinet Meeting held on the 22nd December, 1966, the Hon. Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture stated that Messrs. The Assembly Ltd. had been asked to comply with the terms of the letter accepting their tender for the importation of five luxury motor coaches, and to apply without further delay for the required import licence.

OPT. 1441/66.

Accommodation of the Department of Ports at Auberge d'Etat (Memo. No. 695)

It was agreed that Memorandum No. 695 be considered further in conjunction with the submissions to be made on the subject by the Hon. Minister of Education, Culture and Tourism.

OPT. 425/63.

Bill relating to the Public Registry (Amendments) Act (Memo. No. 696)

The Cabinet agreed that the Bill as shown in draft attached to Memorandum No. 696 be brought before the House of Representatives.

OPT. 1942/65

Malta Board of Standards (Amendment)
Act, 1966 (Memo. No. 689)

The Cabinet agreed that the Malta Board of Standards Act, 1965, be amended as proposed in Memorandum No. 689.

OPT. 1490/66

Bill to amend the Motor Vehicles Insurance
(Third-Party Risks) Act, 1965 (Memo. No. 698)

The Cabinet agreed that the Bill as shown as draft attached to Memorandum No. 698 be brought before the House of Representatives.

OPT. 1458/66

Definition of blind person, for the
purposes of the Old Age Pension Act,
1948 (Memo. No. 694)

It was agreed that for the purposes of the Old Age Pension Act, 1948, a blind person should mean a person who is unable to perform any work for which eyesight is essential as certified by an ophthalmologist, and that the definition of a blind person in the Act should be amended accordingly.

OPT. 1252/63

Sickness Assistance (Memo. No. 699)

The Cabinet agreed to the amendment of the provisions of the Sickness Assistance Act as proposed in paragraph 3 of Memorandum No. 699.

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Sec. 1393/60/2

Amendment to the Criminal Code. (Cap. 12)
section 312 (Dremo. Lo. 594)

The Cabinet discussed the question of damages to equipment in children's playing fields. These damages were being caused by adults who were using or misusing the equipment provided for younger persons. It was agreed that a Bill be prepared for presentation to the House of Representatives making it an offence for persons over fifteen years to use playing equipment or facilities in children's playgrounds open to the public.

Esmer Plummer
Prime Minister

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Ady. Baines
Secretary to Cabinet
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