

Sitting No. 26/67.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambassadors' Palace, Valletta, on Thursday, 2nd March 1967, at 10.30 am.

Present: 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 and Welfare

Absent: The Hon. Prime Minister and

The Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs and Ports

who were away from the Islands on official business.

The Minutes of Meetings Nos. 18 to 25/67 were read and confirmed.

OPN. 513/67

Participation of the National Bank of Malta in the Government's banking transactions.
(Mr. R. Chalmers was in attendance)

The question of giving

The National Bank of Malta a further opportunity of carrying out banking transactions with the Government was discussed at length. The Cabinet agreed that the Government should in future avail itself better of the services of the National Bank of Malta, and with this end in view Mr. R. Chelvers undertook to study the matter at once and report to the Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs & Post.

OPM. 1054/59.

Assistance to the Sogo Milk and Agricultural Producers Cooperative Society Ltd. (Memo. No. 708)
(Mr. R. Chelvers ~~was in attendance~~ and Mr. A. Lunge were in attendance)

The Cabinet considered again Memorandum No. 708. It was the view of Mr. Chelvers that the situation could be met by granting the Sogo Cooperative Society a free loan of £2000 for a period of five years. After hearing the views of the Director of Agriculture the Cabinet agreed that the Government should grant the Sogo Cooperative Society the sum of £2000 once, to help it tide over its present financial difficulties.

OPM/EP/1/67. Site for Provender Plot (Memo. No. 719)

The Cabinet considered the request made by the Malta Milk Producers Cooperative Society for the grant of a plot of land at Marsa for the

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erection of a provender mill, adjacent to the Malta Bacon Factory. As there was some doubt whether the site chosen would be suitable for the purpose, it was agreed that ~~the matter be considered further at the next meeting of the Cabinet when representatives of the Director of Public Works, the Commissioner of Lands and the Director of Agriculture would be present.~~ the matter be considered further at the next meeting of the Cabinet when representatives of the Director of Public Works, the Commissioner of Lands and the Director of Agriculture would be present.

(MTIA 816/66)
OPM. 1008/66

Issue of new stamps to commemorate the visit to Malta of Her Majesty the Queen.

The Hon. Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture produced a letter from the Postmaster General on the above subject. It was agreed that an issue of a ~~new~~ commemorative set of stamps be made to mark the possible visit to Malta of Her Majesty the Queen.

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