

✓ Sitting No. 52/67.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge d'Aragan, Valletta, on Tuesday, 23rd May, 1967 at 11 a.m.

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
 & Agriculture.
 The Hon. Minister of Health.
 The Hon. Minister of Education,
 Culture and Tourism.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Finance,
 Customs & Ports, who was
 indisposed, and
 The Hon. Minister of Labour,
 Employment and Welfare
 who was abroad on
 official business.

The Minutes of Meetings
 Nos. 50 and 51/67 were read and confirmed.

Hospital for Mental Diseases.

It was agreed that the
 mental diseases Hospital at Attard be
 in future known as Mount Carmel Hospital.

OPM. 476/66.

Agreements with Italy in Trade, on
Economic Cooperation and Protection of
Investments and on Scientific and
Technical Cooperation (Memo. Lo. 782)

The Cabinet considered Memorandum Lo. 782 and the accompanying reports and documents relating to the negotiation of the agreements referred to above; and agreed that action as recommended in the said Memorandum be now taken.

OPM. 1403/66.

Application by the United Services
Organizations Inc. to open a Club for
American Servicemen (Memo. Lo. 769)

The Cabinet after having considered Memorandum Lo. 769 agreed to the duty free importation of club equipment and of personal effects of up to three American United Service Organizations employees. It agreed further that the Club should not be exempt from the annual club licence fee of £120.

OPM. 523/66.

Planned Wages Policy

The Cabinet after ~~having~~ again taking into consideration the reaction of the Staff Side of the Joint Industrial Council to the Government's offer of 4% increase in salaries and wages with effect from 1st April, 1964 (Ref 4 in file).

agreed as follows:

(i) The Government accepts in principle the General Dockers Union wages policy as set out (b) of the penultimate paragraph of their paper, dated 18th May, 1965 (Red in file), but only in respect of the period suggested in that paper itself;

(ii) The wage and salary increase of 4% from 1st April, 1967, is in respect of the first two years of the Union's proposals;

(iii) any further percentage increase in accordance with the said proposal, if justified, will be negotiated by both parties in January, 1968.

Anthony Pincher

Prime Minister

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Secretary to Cabinet.

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