

✓ Sitting No. 92/68.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambasciata d'Aragona, Valletta, on Saturday, 7th December, 1968, at 10.30am.

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

Absents: The Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs & Ports and
The Hon. Minister of Health who were indisposed.

The Minutes of Meeting No. 91/68 were read and confirmed.

OPM/EP/115/68. Five-Year Development Plan - 1969/74: Housing
(Memo. No. 1161A)

(The Hon. Dr. E. Cuschieri was in attendance)

Ministers considered Memorandum No. 1161A as well as the comments thereon of the Economic Planning Division. They appreciated the views of the Economic Planning Division and

agreed that Housing should be given top priority in the Third Five-Year Development Plan. Ministers therefore decided that the necessary provision should be taken in the Third Five-Year Plan to cover all the proposals as originally submitted by the Housing Department.

With regard to the Home Ownership Scheme, Ministers agreed also that the benefits policy should be changed in future in the sense that grants be reduced in each case by £150 and that loans be increased by the same amount. A reasonable number of sites was to be granted also without financial aid.

MTPA. 70/65.

Appointment of Supplementary Judges.

It was agreed that H.C. the Governor General be advised to appoint Dr. Frank Chetcuti, M.D. and Dr. George Vassallo, M.D. to be Supplementary Judges.

CPM. 1154/68.

Amnesty to prisoners on the occasion of the 60th Anniversary of His Grace the Archbishop's Ordination to the Priesthood (Memo. No. 1185).

Ministers agreed to the granting of an amnesty to prisoners as recommended in Memorandum No. 1185.

CPM. 569/66

The Question of Gibraltar (Memo. No. 1023)

Ministers considered

Memorandum Lo. 1023 and agreed that
Malta's Representative should be absent from
all votes and proceedings when the Question
of Gibraltar is raised again before the
United Nations.

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Prime Minister.
10th December, 1968

Prof. Reese
Secretary to Cabinet
10th December, 1968.