

Meeting No 6 of 1970

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge d'Arco on Thursday,
5th February, at 11 a.m.

Present: The Prime Minister and Ministers of Finance,
Customs and Port

The Minister of Public Building and Works

The Minister of Justice and Parliamentary Affairs

The Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture

The Minister of Health

The Minister of Education, Culture and Tourism

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare

2400/69 Increase in the number of Members of the House of
Representatives.

Ministers considered Memorandum No 1460 and
confirmed the agreement with the proposal to increase
the number of members of the House of Representatives to 55.

2400/69 Construction of Terrace Houses and Garages at Zgarej

Ministers considered minute 21 in Dec. 2400/69
and agreed that a direct order be placed in this case
as recommended by the Minister of Public Works in
minute 19 in that file provided the latter confirms that
cheaper offers are not likely to be forthcoming from a
fresh call for tenders particularly in view of the original
recommendation in minute 6 in file above mentioned.

517/66 General Election

Ministers considered the recommendations in

Minute 34 in Olan 517/66 and agreed with the proposals at paragraph 2(a) (addition of two Members on the Commission), and at paragraph 2(c) (extension from seven to fourteen days of time limit for appeals to the Electoral Registrar's Hearing Officer) of Minute 34.

Olan 346/66 Sites for Petrol Stations at St. Paul's Bay.

Ministers agreed that the three sites at St. Paul's Bay shown on plan annexed to Red 7 in Olan 346/66 be selected for the erection of Petrol Stations.

Land 1520/61 Acquisition by outright purchase of a plot of land at Ingarr ix-Xini Street, Mirkija, Gozo, required for road widening.

Ministers agreed that the Governor-General be advised to sign a declaration, attached to Memorandum No. 1453, for the release of a plot of land at Mirkija, Gozo, no longer required by the Government.

Olan 1613/65 Training of Market Stalls Around Towns in Malta.

Ministers considered the request at Red 93A in Olan 1613/65 and agreed that the permission asked for be granted under the conditions at paragraph 2(a), (b), (c) and (d) of Red 84 in that file.

Olan 1140/67 Recruitment to the Executive Grades.

Ministers considered Memorandum No. 1000 C and agreed that the recruitment scheme proposed by the Society of Administrative and Executive Civil Servants as in paragraph 4 of the Memorandum be implemented.

subject to its being phased out as follows: the number of vacant Higher Executive Office posts to be filled by direct recruitment of graduates should on the first occasion be one in four, on the second one in three, and from the third onwards one in two.

OLM 1176/69 Proposed Town and Country Planning System and Organisation

Ministers considered Memorandum No 1455 and agreed to consider further within a month's time

Confirmation of written opinion

The files mentioned below are circulated to Ministers whose written opinion was as follows: -

OLM 792/67 - Ministers agreed that Malta should apply for membership of the Intergovernmental Oceanographic Commission of UNESCO (Memorandum No. 1471 in file OLM 792/67)

OLM/nat/265/69. Ministers agreed that the power exercisable by the competent Minister under the provisions of section (7) of the Fines Ordinance be also made to apply to subsection (2) of section (5) of Legal Notice No 30 of 1965 (Memorandum No 1474)

OLM 48/65 Ministers agreed that the Honorary Act 1949 which is due to expire on the 12th February, 1970, should continue in force for a further period of one year (Memorandum No ~~1463~~ 1463)

Land 142/62 IV - H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of nine plots of land at St. Julian's, required by the Government in connection with the construction of the Sliema Regional Road (Memorandum No 1449)

Land 630/69 H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of one plot of land at Victoria, Gozo, required by the Government for the purpose of road widening (Memorandum 1450)

Land 16/69 H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of two plots of land at Birkirkba, limits of Rabat, required by the Government for the purpose of road widening (Memorandum 1451)

Land 142/62 V H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of nine plots of land at St. Julian's, required by the Government in connection with the construction of a bridge as part of the Sliema Regional Road (Memorandum 1452)

Land 410/69 H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of a farmhouse along Gheruena Street, Rabat, required by the Government in connection with the construction of St. Paul's Avenue (Memorandum 1473)

Land 1251/67 - H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of one plot of land at Fgura, required by the Government for the erection of an Electricity Substation (Memorandum 1475)

Order 702/64 H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Warrant appointing Mr. Joseph Macanah, a Foreign Service Officer in New York, to the Commission for Oaths under the provisions of section 2(2) of the Commission for Oaths Ordinance (Chapter 120)

Land 61/66 H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the acquisition of one plot of land at St. Julian's, required by the Government for the erection of an Electricity Substation (Memorandum 1484)

Land 918/66 H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign a Declaration for the release of a plot of land at Raxxex declared to be no longer required for a public purpose. (Memorandum No 1485)

Prime Minister

Secretary to Cabinet