

Meeting No 25 of 1970

Cabinet meeting held at the Auberge d'Aragon on Thursday, 2nd April, 1970, at 11 am

Present: The Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, Customs and Post

The Minister of Public Building and Works

The Minister of Justice and Parliamentary Affairs

The Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture

The Minister of Education, Culture and Tourism

The Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare

Absent: The Minister of Health (away from the Island)

oPn 1167/64 Ligne Barracks and Hotel development

Ministers considered Memorandum No. 1466 and agreed that the United Nations Physical Planning Advisor be asked to go into the question of the development of the area at Ligne and make recommendations.

oPn 948/69 Erection of a Health Hydro at Kercem, Gzo

Ministers considered further Memorandum No. 1386 and agreed that no health scheme should be considered unless it was sponsored by a reliable and competent health organization.

oPn 278/55 Letting of small structures surrendered by the Services

Ministers considered Memorandum No. 997 and agreed also the general question of lands and buildings surrendered by the Services. It was agreed that the

Ministers of Technical and Parliamentary Affairs, the Minister of Public Building and Works and the Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare should go into the list of all the lands and buildings, including the small structures referred to in the Memorandum, already surrendered, out of those due for early release by the Services and make recommendations within a month as to the best use to which such lands and buildings could be put or otherwise disposed of.

OPM 960/69 Replacement of the h.v. Hannibal

Ministers considered Memorandum No 1391 and agreed that funds for the replacement of the road should not be provided in the 1970/71 budget.

OPM 421/69 Location of a new Control Tower at Luqa by the R.A.F.

Ministers took note of the fact that approval in principle to the construction of the Control Tower referred to in Memorandum No 1434, had already been conveyed to the British Authorities and agreed that a start on its construction could not be objected to.

Mem 1298/61 Maltese migrants' housing scheme in Australia.

Ministers considered Memorandum No 1423 and agreed that, provided funds could be found out of the monies to be made available in the Third Five Year Plan, an interest free loan of £250, repayable over 20 years, be made available for the purchase of a house to applicants with three or more dependent children.

Secretary to Cabinet

Prime Minister