

Meeting No 61 of 1970

Cabinet meeting held at the Auberge d'Orangon on Friday, 17th July, 1970, at 9.30 am

Present : The Prime Minister and Ministers of Communications and Foreign Affairs
The Minister 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 Labour, Employment and Welfare

Absent : The Minister of Education, Culture and Tourism

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Industrial action at the Port.

Ministers considered a report by the Acting Superintendent of the Ports that delivery clerks were not prepared to work while members of the Police Force were detailed to perform Customs Officers' duties and that there was the danger that a great cargo would not be unloaded and released. It was agreed that the Port Authorities should concentrate their efforts towards ensuring that this cargo was cleared.

In regard to the industrial action resorted to by the Malta Customs Federation it was agreed that the Federation's claims were unacceptable, and that eventually, following preliminary warning, disciplinary action should be taken against those officers who did not limit their action to "working to rule" but were refusing, in some instances, to perform their normal duties.

Prime Minister

Letter to Cabinet