

Meeting no. 73 of 1970

Cabinet meeting held at the Auberge d'Orangon on Thursday, 10th September, 1970, at 11 am.

Present: The Prime Minister and Ministers of Communications and Foreign Affairs

The Minister of Finance, Customs and Post

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

Absent: The Minister of Public Building and Works
(away from the Island)

OPM 521/66 VII closes economic association with Europe

Ministers examined the report on the negotiations which took place in Brussels from the 22nd to the 24th July, 1970 (Ref 419 in OPM 521/66 VII) between the European Economic Commission and the Maltese delegation. Ministers agreed that letters signifying agreement on both sides should be exchanged at delegation level. Such agreement was subject to the final approval of the Maltese Government and the E.E.C. Council of Ministers. Ministers also agreed that a White Paper should be prepared for presentation to Parliament after submission to Cabinet and publication.

OPM/EP/102/67(1) Letters for the 5th and 6th荔枝 letters due to

Ministers considered a Memorandum dated 10th September, 1970, (Ref 93 in OPM/EP/102/67(1)) by the

Malta Electricity Board and noted that after price adjustments made by the three tenders Società Italiana Impianti, Westinghouse and their Westgarth, as a result of a fall in the prices of non-ferrous metals, the Westinghouse fixed price tender was still the cheapest. The other two tenders were, also, subject to Cost Price Adjustment which meant that the final prices might turn out to be higher than at present. Ministers therefore confirmed their decision of the 25th August, 1970, that the Westinghouse tender be accepted.

8/11/65 Administration handing by U.S. houses, October December, 1970

Ministers considered memorandum no 1568 and agreed that the Prime Minister would discuss the request with the U.S. Ambassador (It was subsequently learned from the U.S. Embassy that the exercise had been called off).

Confirmation of written opinion

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

Land 305/63 - H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign declaration for the imposition of an easement on a plot of land at Bgarr, Malta, for the laying of a water pumping main (Memorandum no. 1610)

Land 1292/67 - H.E. the Governor-General was advised to sign declaration for the acquisition of one plot of land at Birgelmugia requires for the formation of a square (Memorandum no 1611)

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Land 104/70 - H.E. the Governor-General was asked to
sign declaration for the acquisition of one
plot of land at St. Julian's required for
the erection of an electricity sub-station
(Memorandum No. 1607)

Secretary to Cabinet

Home Minister