

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CABINET BY THE
HON. PRIME MINISTER

Grant of a Reduced Car Licence Fee to
Mr George Falzon, a Paraplegic

In terms of Regulation 5 of the Police Licences Regulations, 1949, as amended by the Police Licences (Amendment) Regulations, 1960, (Legal Notice No. 12 of 1960), the Governor is empowered to remit or reduce any fee specified in the Schedule to the said Regulations.

2. Mr George Falzon, a paraplegic, who lives at No. 139, Victory Street, Qormi, has applied to the Commissioner of Police for a free licence in respect of his Morris Mini Minor van which he imported to suit his physical deficiency and in respect of which exemption from the payment of customs duty had already been authorized.

3. The Hon. Secretary of the Infantile Paralysis Rehabilitation Fund has recommended the request.

4. According to information available to the Commissioner of Police, Mr Falzon is single and lives with a married brother. He works as a bus despatcher and earns £30 per month, out of which he contributes £5 per month towards the maintenance of his married sister. He has no property or other source of income.

5. The Hon. Minister of Labour and Social Welfare has stated that he has caused a financial investigation of the household of Mr Falzon to be carried out and after considering all the circumstances of the case he is of the opinion that the application should be rejected.

6. The Financial Secretary, on the other hand, agreed that, in common with other cases, Falzon be allowed to pay a reduced fee of 2/6 per annum.

7. Hon. Ministers are asked to say whether they agree that the car licence fee should in this case be reduced to 2/6 and that His Excellency the Governor should be advised to approve accordingly.

9th August, 1963.