

Sitting No. 15/63.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambasciata d'Argon, Valletta, on Wednesday, 13th March, 1963, at 5 p.m.

Present: The Hon. Prime Minister and Minister of Economic Planning & Finance
The Hon. Minister of Industrial Development & Tourism.
The Hon. Minister of Agriculture, Power & Communications.
The Hon. Minister of Justice.
The Hon. Minister of Works & Housing
The Hon. Minister of Labour and Social Welfare.
The Hon. Minister of Health.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Education.

The minutes of Meeting No. 14/63 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 503/63. Recommendations by the Economic Division
(Memo. No. 112 B).

The Cabinet considered recommendations made by the Economic Division, directed towards the creating of cost-consciousness in all sectors. It was stressed that the economic problems of

Malta could not be solved without an entirely new attitude to efficiency and profitability. With this end in view, Hon. Ministers agreed that the following measures be immediately taken in all Government departments involved in economic activities, particularly in the Public Works Department:-

i) The introduction of proper cost accounting in all branches of the departments concerned.

ii) The early consideration and possible acceptance of the proposal made ~~by~~ ⁱⁿ May, 1962, by the International Computers and Tabulators Ltd. for introducing a proper system of cost accounting in the Public Works Department.

iii) Fees for experts ~~should~~ ^{to} be treated as capital expenditure.

iv) The recruitment of more Quantity Surveyors. (It was here mentioned that a number of Quantity Surveyors were already available at the War Damage Section of the Housing Department).

St. Ignace
Prime Minister.

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Charles
Secretary to Cabinet.
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