

Sitting No. 34/63.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambasciata d'Aragon, Valletta, on Wednesday, 5th June, 1963, at 6 p.m.

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

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Justice.

New Constitution of Malta (Second Draft).

Prof. J. Azzopardo, Attorney General, Mr. G. Grech, Administrative Secretary, and Dr. V. Razzano, Public Relations Secretary, were in attendance.

The Hon. Prime Minister gave the Cabinet an account of his meeting the previous night with the Secretary of State, Mr. Duncan Lindsay. In the light of the result of that meeting the following decisions were taken regarding certain

Sections of the new Constitution of Malta:-

Section 6(1) : To remain as in draft.

Section 20(1)(a) : To be redrafted on the lines of the provisions of the 1959 Constitution.

Section 37(1) : Last line to be deleted

Section 33(1) : The word "Chapter" is to be substituted for the word "section" in the second line, and the words "in equal proportions from the elected divisions referred to in section 37 of this Constitution" to be added after the word "Malta" in the fifth line.

Section 41(2) : To read: The Electoral Commission shall consist of a Chief Electoral Commissioner who shall be a public officer and shall be a public officer and such number of other members not being less than two as may be prescribed by any law for the time being in force in Malta.

Section 41(4) : To add the words "a public officer" after the word "or" in the fifth line, and to delete the words "save

in the case of the Chief Electoral Commissioner, if he is a public officer".

Section 41(5): To delete the words "other than the Chief Electoral Commissioner, if a public officer".

Section 22(4)(a): To add the words: "and other proceedings which in the practice of the courts in Malta are, or are of the same nature as those which are, disposed of in Chambers".

Confirmation of written opinion.

The files mentioned hereunder were circulated to Hon. Ministers whose written decision was as follows:-

DCA/Disc./21/1. H.E. the Governor was advised that Douglas DC4 C54E Condoline be registered in Malta.

OPM. 1065/62. H.E. the Governor was advised to approve that Mr. Victor Vella, an employee, be allowed to pay a reduced car licence fee of 2/6 per annum.

Concurrence
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Prime Minister

Secretary to Cabinet
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