

✓ Sitting No. 14/66.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge d'Oragan, Valletta, on Tuesday, 14th June, 1966, at 10.30 am.

Present: Hon. Prime Minister
 Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs & Ports.
 Hon. Minister of Public Building & Works.
 Hon. Minister of Justice & Parliamentary Affairs.
 Hon. Minister of Health
 Hon. Minister of Education, Culture & Tourism.
 Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment & Welfare.

Absent: Hon. Minister of Trade, Industry & Agriculture who was away on official business.

The minutes of meeting No. 13/66 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 1264/64 Monument to Dante Alighieri

The Cabinet considered the question of the monument to Dante Alighieri, which the Circolo Dante Alighieri Ltd. proposed to erect. It was agreed that a suitable site would be in the

area on the right-hand side of the road leading from Port des Bombes to the "Ljun" Fountain in Florina, which site is acceptable to the Soviets.

OPM. 455/62.

An Act to adapt certain laws (Comm. No. 599)

It was agreed that the Bill to adapt certain laws, as shown in draft no. Red 536 in file, be presented to the House of Representatives.

Closing Hours of Shops.

The Cabinet was informed of certain representations which had been made by the General Retailers Union regarding the closing hours of shops. It was agreed that the Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment & Welfare should deal with the matter in the best interests of shopkeepers in general and of consumers.

OPM. 375/66.

General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe
(Comm. No. 543)

Hon. Ministers were asked to consider whether Malta should sign the General Agreement on Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe. The Agreement provided for the privileges and immunities that the Council of Europe (as a juridical personality) and its

of the Council should enjoy in the territories of the Contracting Parties. In view of the provisions contained in article 21 of the Agreement, on which a policy decision was called for, it was agreed that consideration of this matter be proceeded with after certain information relating to the acceptance of the said article 21 by other signatory parties had been obtained.

Confirmation of written opinion.

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

OPM. 1356/64. H.C. The Governor-General was advised to authorise the payments of £45,000 to the Broadcasting Authority in respect of its expenditure during 1966/67.

Land 816/62. H.C. The Governor-General was advised to sign Declaration for the acquisition of premises at No. 65, Saint Helen Street, Birkirkara, required in connection with improvements in the approaches to Birkirkara Parish Church.

Anthony Oliver
Prime Minister

4th July, 1966

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Secretary to the Cabinet
4th July, 1966