

✓ Sitting No. 53/66.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambasciata d'Agan, Valletta, on Tuesday, 20th December, 1966, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: The Hon. Prime Minister
 The Hon. Minister of Public Building & Works.
 The Hon. Minister of Justice and Parliamentary Affairs.
 The Hon. Minister of Trade, Industry & Agriculture.
 The Hon. Minister of Health.
 The Hon. Minister of Education, Culture & Tourism.
 The Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment & Welfare.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs & Ports who was indisposed.

The minutes of Meetings Nos. 49 to 52/66 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 503/66. Salary Negotiations with the Medical Association of Malta.

(The Hon. Mr. E. Cuschieri, Administrative Secretary, was in attendance.)

Hon. Ministers were informed of a letter which had been received from the Medical Association of

Malta enclosing a Resolution passed at a General Meeting of the Association, held on the 6th December, 1966 (Ref. 43 in file). This Resolution was making the acceptance of the "package deal" offered to the Association subject to certain conditions which had not figured in the final deal proposed. Hon. Ministers were informed also of a subsequent letter from the Association, dated 14th December, 1966, (Ref. 48 in file) which amounted to a withdrawal of the first letter (Ref. 43). To make the position clear, the Administrative Secretary was asked to inform the Medical Association of Malta that as in their letter of the 14th December, 1966, the Association had accepted unconditionally the offer made by the Government that the salaries of medical officers in the service of the Government be revised with effect from the 1st April, 1966, as shown at Column "H" in Ref. 38 in file, steps would now be taken to effect payments at the new rates as early as possible.

O.P.H. 521/56/IV

S.A.T.T. Tariff Negotiations known as the Kennedy Round (Memo. No. 612)

It was agreed that Memorandum No. 612 be considered at a later date in the light of the outcome of the forthcoming tariff negotiations by the less developed countries, known as the "Little Kennedy Round".

Confirmation of Written Opinion

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

Land 4/66. H.E. The Governor General was advised to sign Declaration for the acquisition by outright purchase of premises Nos. 104, 106 and 108 Villambrosa Street; Nos. 156, 160, 162, 164 and 166 Victoria Avenue and parts of premises Nos. 168, 170 and 172 Victoria Avenue; Nos. 98 and 102 Villambrosa Street and parts of the garden of No. 8 in Dolly in Villambrosa Street, Hamrun, required by the Government in connection with the extension of Victoria Avenue and Villambrosa Street.

ORH. 1280/66.

H.E. The Acting Governor General was advised to make the Citizenship (Renunciation and Deprivation) Regulations, 1966, as per drafts at Ref 42a in file.

Osborne
Prime Minister
27.12.66

Edgar
Secretary to Cabinet
27.12.66