

Sitting No. 28/67.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambasciata d'Aragon, Valletta, on Thursday, 9th March, 1967, at 10.30 a.m.

Present: 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 and Tourism.

The Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment & Welfare.

Absent: The Hon. Prime Minister

The Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs & Ports, who were away from the Island on official business.

The minutes of Meeting No. 27/67 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 1338/63.

Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation
(Memo. No. 468 B)

(Mr. J. Turek and Mr. Galea were in attendance.)

The Cabinet considered

Memorandum No. 468B wherein it was proposed that Malta should join the new Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation which was expected to include all Commonwealth countries, except Pakistan. It was stated that Malta's rate of contribution would amount to about £500 per annum. There would also be the expenses of the delegation attending the annual Council meetings and the triennial conferences.

After hearing the views of the Postmaster General and of the Chief Inspector of Wireless Telegraphy the Cabinet felt that in the absence of traffic statistics and other relevant details it was not in a position to assess sufficiently well the economic benefits that Malta would derive by joining the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation. It was agreed that in the circumstances Malta should possibly send an observer to the inaugural meeting of the Council of the said Organisation to be held on the 14th April, 1967.

OTH. 1235/63.

Introduction of the Metric System (Memo. No. 431)

The Cabinet discussed the question of the introduction into Malta of the Metric System. It was agreed that the matter be considered further at another meeting of the Cabinet.

W. G. A. Jones

Secretary to Cabinet
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