

Sitting No. 33/64.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Ambasciata d'Aragona, Valletta, on Tuesday, ^{21st}~~22nd~~ March, 1964, at 11 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, Cultural and Tourism.
 The Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment + Welfare.

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

OPM. 711/66.

U.K. - Malta Air Services Agreement (Demo. No. 619)

The Cabinet considered again this matter in the light of information given by the Hon. Prime Minister and the Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare. It was agreed that the U.K. - Malta Air Services Agreement could not be ratified.

OPM. 1183/62

Malta Development Corporation (Demo. No. 449)

(The Hon. Mr. E. Cusicki was in attendance)

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~~Hon. Government~~ considered the question of the setting up in Malta of a Development Corporation, as explained in Memorandum No. 479. They agreed to the text of the Bill as submitted in draft with the Memorandum. The definition of "Minister" was to be considered further at the next meeting of the Cabinet.

CPM. 114/59/II

Power/Water Station Project: Stage II
(Memo. No. 26)

(Mr. C. J. Mallia was in attendance)

It was explained that the first stage of the new Power/Water Station had been completed and that it was now urgently necessary that an immediate start should be made on the implementation of Stage II of the project. Funds were available from grant moneys provided under the Financial Agreement with Britain to cover the water distillation aspect of the scheme. The balance required to finance other project items of plant and equipment would have to be found by the Malta Electricity Board and the amounts involved would be of the order of £2 million.

It became known that morning that representatives of a British firm had seen the Hon. Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture and ~~expressed~~ ~~into the responsibility of the firm~~ the Chairman, Malta Electricity Board, and

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enquired into the possibility of their firm's supplying the required plant and equipment and also financing the second phase of the project. The Chairman, M.E.B., was to discuss the matter with the Electricity Board and report to the Hon. Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture at an early date.

Anthony Dukes
Prime Minister

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