

✓ Sitting No. 85/67.

Cabinet Meeting held at the Auberge d'Oragan, Valletta, on Tuesday, 5th September 1967, at 11 am.

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 Education, Culture & Tourism.
 The Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment & Welfare.

Absent: The Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs & Port, who was indisposed,
 The Hon. Minister of Health, who was abroad on official business.

The minutes of meetings Nos. 82, 83 & 84/67 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 474/51.

Fugitive Offenders Bill (Memo. No. 800)

The Cabinet considered the question of the extradition of criminals between Commonwealth countries as

explained in Memorandum No. 853. It was agreed that the Malta Government should grant in the appropriate cases the extradition of Citizens of Malta.

OPM. 454/51/II Bus Fares (Memo. No. 856)

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

The Cabinet considered the claims submitted by the General Transport Union and others under A, B and C. in paragraph 2 of Memorandum No. 856. It was agreed that the recommendations made by the Board which was appointed to study the Union's claims, be accepted, viz:

Claim A. to be rejected.

Claim B. (i) School passes to be limited to students who have not attained their eighteenth birthday;

(ii) School fares to be fixed at 50% of the adult ordinary fare; in the case of fares with an odd half-penny, the half-penny to be rounded up to the next penny.

Claim C. to be rejected.

OPM. 551/51/II Independent Commission on Long Anomalies.

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

The Cabinet was informed of the outcome of the meetings which the Administrative Secretary was having with the staff side of the Malta Government Joint Council on these matters which were still

to be agreed upon before the appointment of the Independent Commission, and also with the General Dockers Union on the subject of Government's acceptance to extend the salary increases to Industrial employees in Groups I to VIII. The Cabinet confirmed its earlier decision that there should be one Independent Commission both for Industrial and for non-Industrial employees. It was, however, agreed that both categories of employees could be assisted by technical advisers on the Commission, if they so wished.

OPM. 114/59/II Electricity Project: Finance for Electricity Expansion.

(Dr. M. Luffino was in attendance)

The Cabinet confirmed its earlier decision that the question of the raising of funds for the Malta Electricity Board's expansion programme should be considered as soon as the Board had reported on the "finance" offers made by the various tenderers.

Consideration of the question of the indemnity to the Board was left to another meeting of the ~~Board~~ Cabinet.

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