

Sitting No. 79/68.

Chairman's Meeting held at the Auberge d'Angelo, Valletta, on Tuesday, 29th October, 1968, at 11 a.m.

Present: The Hon. Prime Minister

The Hon. Minister of Finance, Customs
& Ports.

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 Health who
was indisposed.

The Minutes of Meeting
No. 78/68 were read and confirmed.

OPM. 201/56/11 Ports Authority (Memo. No. 945A)

Ministers considered

Memorandum No. 945A and agreed to the
recommendations of the Ports Committee that
the Ports Department should be divorced
from the Customs Department and that the
responsibilities now devolving on the Ports

Division should be entrusted to a Port Authority. Ministers agreed also that the Maritime Law should be administered by the Port Authority.

OPM. 1434/64. Premises at No. 1 Main Street, Gormi.

Ministers agreed that premises at No. 1 Main Street, Gormi, which were no longer required by the Government, should be released.

OPM. 1136/68. Rehabilitation and Placement of Disabled Persons.
(Memo. No. 1165)

Ministers considered again Memorandum No. 1165 at Rd 1A in the light of the further explanations given at the meeting by the Hon. Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare on the financial implications of the scheme. They approved the recommendations in the Memorandum with the deletion of the last three lines in paragraph 4 thereof. The accompanying draft Bill was to be amended accordingly.

OPM. 285/65. Amendment to the Code of Organization and Civil Procedure (Cap. 15) (Memo. No. 1164)

Ministers approved the draft Bill which accompanied Memorandum No. 1164. The Bill was entitled *An Act further to amend the Code of Organization and Civil Procedure (Cap. 15).*

OPM. 1187/64. Signe Barnecks + Hotel Development (Memo. No. 1145)

Ministers agreed that Memorandum No. 1145 should be referred to the Standing Committee appointed in accordance with a Cabinet decision for the purpose of dealing with the choice of Government sites for the construction of hotels and tourist projects.
(OPM. 133/68 ^{referred} ~~referred~~).

OPM/E/1140/64. Recruitment into the Higher Civil Service (Memo. No. 1000)

Ministers agreed that the Administrative Secretary should report again to Cabinet on the reaction of the Society of Administrative and Executive Civil Servants to the proposals made in paragraphs 3 and 4 of Memorandum No. 1000 A.

OPM. 528/63. Desalination Plants for Sgo.

(Mr. E. Villa Tomlin, Chief Engineer, was in attendance.)

cc:

Ministers ^{had no comments to make on} ~~expressed~~ the drawings of views of Mandeg is-Rummien Bay incorporating the proposed structures, perspective sketches, lay-out plan of chimney and substation and plans and elevations of the proposed structures.

Edmund Plummer
Prime Minister.
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Edg. Cassar
Secretary to Cabinet.
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