

SECRET - CABINET PAPERSMINUTILagha tal-Kabinett Nru. 19Kastilja, 13 ta' Settembru, 1977
fis-1.15 p.m.Prezenti:

L-Onor Dom Mintoff	Prim Ministru - Chairman
L-Onor Joseph Cassar	Ministru tal-Gustizzja, Artijiet, Djar u Affarijiet tal-Parlament
L-Onor Agatha Barbara	Ministru tax-Xoghol, Ghajnuna Socjali u Kultura
L-Onor Joseph Abela	Ministru tal-Finanzi, Dwana u Investimenti Finanzjarji tal-Poplu
L-Onor Daniel Piscopo	Ministru tat-Turizmu
L-Onor Lorry Sant	Ministru tax-Xogholijiet u Sports
L-Onor Wistin Abela	Ministru tal-Izvilupp, Energija, Port u Telekomunikazzjonijiet
L-Onor Freddie Micallef	Ministru tal-Industriji Parastatali u tal Poplu
L-Onor Vincent Moran	Ministru tas-Sahha u l-Ambjent
L-Onor Danny Cremona	Ministru tas-Sajd, Industrija u Agrikoltura
L-Onor Philip Muscat	Ministru ta' l-Edukazzjoni

Assenti:

L-Onor Patrick Holland	Ministru tal-Kummerc
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Prezenti wkoll:

Mr J. Borg)	General Workers' Union
Mr V. Esposito)	

Il-minuti tas-seduta 18 gew approvati.

Il-Prim Ministru informa il-Kabinett illi hemm il-htiega illi jinbdew ix-xogholijiet go l-Isla u l-Kalkara (a) biex ikunu jistghu jintuzaw ghal-yachts u (b) li jitkomplew ix-xogholijiet li kienu ga nbdew ftit taz-zmien ilu fil Menqa go l-Marsa.

/Il-Prim Ministru

Il-Prim Ministru semma ukoll stores kbar go l-blat li jezistu f'Lascaris li diga waqghu f'idejn il-Gvern li jistghu jintuzaw bhala bonded stores ghad-Dipartiment tad-Dwana.

Il-Prim Ministru semma ukoll il-htiega li jigi nominat Kumitat biex jiehu hsieb ic-cerimonja ta' meta l-Inglizi jitolqu ghal kollox minn Malta f'Marzu 1979.

Il-Ministri mbaghad gew mitluba jikkunsidraw il-proposti ta' zidiet fil-pagi u hwejjeg ohra konnessi maghhom li kellhom jidhlu fil-15 ta' Ottubru. Dawn iz-zidiet ikopru erba punti:

A. Zidiet fil-pagi u fis-salarji

- (a) Zieda ta' 2% jew £22 fis-sena liema mit-tnejn hija l-oghla, minhabba produttivita akbar;
- (b) Zieda ta' 10c fil-gimgha ghall-ghola tal-hajja u ghal xi zieda li tista tinghata fin-noll tal-karozzi tal-linja;
- (c) Zieda ta' 60c fil-gimgha biex jassorbi is-sussidju tal-hobz, tal-ghagin, zokkor u zejt tal-ikel; din iz-zieda hija bazata fuq l-entitlement ta' zewg persuni.

B. Zidiet fil-pensjonijiet tal-Gvern (flok is-sussidju)

Zieda ta' 30c fil-gimgha lil dawk il-pensjonanti li ma jikkwalifikawx ghan N.I. benefit jew li huma taht l-eta' ghal pensjoni imma li ma jircevox in-N.I. Benefit u li mhumieq impjegati.

C. Zieda fin-N.I.B. (flok is-sussidju)

- (a) Zieda ta' 30c fil-gimgha ghal kull wiehed ta l-ewwel 3 itfal taht is sittax il-sena li huma intitolati ghall allowance;

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- (b) hlas ta' 30c (benefizzju gdid) ghall kull tifel addizzjonali taht is-16 wara l-ewwel tliet itfal;
- (c) hlas ta' 50c (benefizzju gdid) bhala allowance specjali ghall kull tifel il fuq minn-16 il sena li ghadu jmur l-iskola, l-Polytechnic jew l-Universita';
- (d) zieda ta' 40c fil-gimgha ghal minn mhux mizzewweg, u ta' 60c fil-gimgha ghall kull koppja mizzewga fin N.I. Pensions.

D. Ghajjnuna Socjali mhux kontributorja

- (a) Zieda ta' 40c fil-gimgha u 60c fil-gimgha rispettivament fuq ir-rata tal mhux mizzewga u ta' koppja mizzewga fil-pensjoni tax-xjuh;
- (b) Zieda ta' 40c u 60c fil-gimgha rispettivament ghal "single households" u ghal "households" ta' akbar min persuna wahda li tircievi l-ghajjnuna socjali;
- (c) Hlas ta' 40c fil-gimgha (benefizzju gdid) bhala allowance specjali ghal qghad ghal dawk kollha li ghandhom il fuq minn 16 il-sena li isimhom jidher fuq ir-registru u li qatt ma hadmu.

L-ispiza totali rikorrenti ghal mizuri kollha ta hawn fuq hija stmata li tilhaq £4.44 mil. lira fis-sena fil-waqt illi s-savings fuq il vot tas-sussidju huwa kkalkolat li jilhaq £3.78 mil. lira ghal sena shiha.

Fit-3 p.m. is-seduta aggornat sine die.

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Segretarju tal-Kabinett

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Chairman tal-Kabinett

I. Increases in Wages and Salaries

- (a) 2% increase or £M22 per annum increase, whichever is the higher, for higher productivity
- (b) 10c per week increase on account of higher cost of living, including increase in bus fares
- (c) 60c per week increase to absorb Bread/Paste cash subsidy and Sugar/Edible Oil subsidy; the increase is based on entitlement for 2 persons and is rounded up

II. Increase in Government Pensions (to replace subsidies as above)

30c per week increase to those pensioners who do not qualify for NI benefits or who are under pension age but do not receive any NI benefit and are not employed

III. Increase in National Insurance Benefits (to replace subsidies as above)

- (a) 30c per week increase for each of the first three children under 16 years in respect of whom the allowance is paid
- (b) 30c per week (New benefit) for each additional child under 16 years over and above the first three
- (c) 50c per week (New benefit) special allowance for each child over 16 years who is still at school / *polytechnic / University*
- (d) 40c per week increase for single person and 60c per week increase for married couple in NI pensions, etc.

IV. Non-Contributory Social Assistance

- (a) 40c per week and 60c per week increase respectively on single and married couple rates of Old Age Pensions
- (b) 40c per week and 60c per week increase respectively for single household and for household with more than one person under Social Assistance
- (c) 40c per week (New benefit) unemployment special allowance to persons over 16 years appearing on the employment register and who have never worked

Note: Total recurrent expenditure of the above measures (including absorption by Government of full cost of NI increases) is estimated at £M4.44 million per annum while savings under the Subsidies Vote on a full year's basis is estimated at £M3.78 million)