MEMORANDUM FOR CABINET BY THE HON. THE PRIME MINISTER

Reduction of car licence fee to physically handicapped persons

In terms of Regulation 5 of the Police Licences Regulations, 1949, as amended, the Governor is empowered to remit or reduce any fee specified in the schedule to the said Regulations.

- 2. As Hon. Ministers are aware applications from paraplegics and other handicapped persons for the reduction of their car licence fee have been approved in the past and the fee was reduced to 2s/6d.
- 3. Applications have now been received from Miss Maria Buttigieg of 13, Hida Street, Nadur, Gozo, and Mr Joseph Camilleri of 51, Carmel Street, Zurrieq. Both applications are recommended by the Committee of the Infantile Paralysis Rehabilitation Fund. The Financial section agree that the fees be reduced.
- 4. The financial circumstances of the applicants are as follows:-

Miss Buttigieg

Miss Buttigieg is 21 years old and has no occupation. Her father is in the United Kingdom and contributes £250 for the upkeep of the family. The mother is 44 years old and is engaged on household duties. The other daughter in the family still attends school. The only son in the family, aged 19, is in the United Kingdom but does not make any contribution to the family.

Mr Camilleri

Mr Camilleri is married and has five children whose ages range from 11 to 18 years. None is employed and the younger two still attend school. Mr Camilleri is employed as a substitute in a wine and spirits shop earning about £10 a week. He pays £14 per annum house-rent and £80 per annum to the Licencee of the Wine and Spirits shop. He has a deposit of £1,100 at Barclays Bank.

- 5. The Hon. Minister of Labour and Social Welfare recommends that the car licence fees be reduced to £3 in the case of Miss Buttigieg and to £5 in the case of Mr Camilleri.
- 6. Hon. Ministers are asked whether they agree that His Excellency be advised to reduce the fees as recommended by the Hon. Minister of Labour and Social Welfare in both cases.

11th March, 1963.