



**Court of Magistrates (Malta)  
As a Court of Criminal Judicature**

**Magistrate Dr. Doreen Clarke LL.D.**

**Today, the 30<sup>th</sup> May 2016**

**The Police  
(Inspector Frankie Sammut)**

**VS**

**Tesfay Gebrebirhan Anda**

The Court

Having seen the charges against Tesfay Gebrebirhan Anda, holder of Italian Police number 23330.

Charged with having on the 30th May 2016 in these islands forged, altered or tampered with a passport or used or had in his possession a passport which he knew to be forged, altered or tampered with;

And charged also with having on the same date, time and circumstances committed any other kind of forgery, or have knowingly made use of any other forged documents mentioned above;

Charged also with having on the same date, time and circumstances forged any document or true copy of a document or an entry made in pursuance of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta.

Having seen that the defendant admitted the charges brought against him, and that he confirmed this admission of guilt even after having been given time to reconsider his plea.

Having seen the documents filed by the prosecuting officer.

Having heard the submissions regarding the penalty to be meted out.

Having considered

That defendant admitted the charges brought against him; these are consequently sufficiently proven.

With regards the penalty to be meted out the Court took into consideration the nature of the offences of which the defendant is being found guilty, his co-operation with the police and his admission at the earliest stage of the proceedings.

Wherefore the Court, after having seen sections 189 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, section 5 of Chapter 61 of the Laws of Malta and section 32(1)(d) of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta, finds defendant guilty of the charges brought against him and condemns him to one year imprisonment which by application of section 28A of the said Chapter 9 is being suspended for the period of three years.

The Court explained to the defendant in ordinary language the significance of this judgement and of the consequences should he commit an other offence in the period of three years.

**DR. DOREEN CLARKE**  
**MAGISTRAT**