

**COURT OF MAGISTRATE (MALTA)
AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE**

MAGISTRATE DR. JOSETTE DEMICOLI LL.D

**Police
(Inspector Matthew Spagnol)**

Vs

Joann Albopera

Today, 3rd July, 2016

The Court,

Having seen the charge brought against Joann Albopera, 35 years old, daughter of Joseph and Rosita, born in Philippines on the 18th March 1981 and residing Slema, and holder of Phillipine passport with number EB9293714.

Being charged with having in these islands, between the dates of the 28th and 29th of June 2016, from inside residence 49, il-Mintba, Triq il-Mediterran, San Gwann;

1. Committed the theft of bank notes to the detriment of Michelle Calleja ID 373370M, which theft is aggravated by and 'amount', 'person', and place under article 261, 267, 268, 269 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

While exhibiting the Passport of Joann Albopera, the Prosecuting humbly requests this honourable Court to investigate this case according to law.

Having heard the accused admit to the charges brought against her and that he re-confirmed her guilty plea after the Court gave her time to re-consider he position.

Having heard final submissions.

Having seen the acts and documents of this case.

Considers:

The accused has admitted to the charge and thus this has been sufficiently proven.

With regards to the punishment to be meted out, the Court is taking into consideration the seriousness of th offence, the early giulty plea and the fact that the accused co-operated with the police an stated taht she is sorry for her action.

The court after having seen article 261 (c) (d) (c), 267, 268 (a), 269 (g), 279 (a) and 281 (1) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, upon admission finds the accused guilty of the charge brought against her and condemns her to a period of two (2) years imprisonment which by application of article

28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta are being suspended for a period of three (3) years.

Moreover in terms of article 28H of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta orders Joann Alboopera to pay the sum of five hundred euros (€500) to Michelle Calleja within a period of six (6) months.

The Court has explained to the accused the consequences if she commits another offence within the operative period of this judgment.

Dr Josette Demicoli LL.D

Magistrate