



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

Magistrate Dr. Doreen Clarke LL.D.

Today, 15th July, 2017

**The Commissioner of Police
(Inspector Victor Aquilina)**

vs

Solomon Henry Itepu

The Court,

Having seen the charges against Solomon Henry Itepu and holder of Nigerian passport number A03923891

Charged with having on the 14th July 2017 on these islands forged, altered or tampered with a document, used or had in his possession any document (Interim authorisation Receipt No. 148360A), which he knew to be forged, altered or tampered with.

Charged also with having on same date, time and circumstances committed any other kind of forgery, or have knowingly made use of any other forged document, in the mentioned documents.

Charged also with having on same date, time and circumstances forged any document or true copy of a document or an entry made in pursuance of this act.

Having heard defendant admit the charges brought against him.

Having seen the documents presented by the prosecution.

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

Having considered

The defendant admitted the charges brought against him; these are consequently sufficiently proved.

With regards the penalty to be meted out the Court took into consideration the nature of the charge brought against defendant, his co-operation with the police and his admission at the earliest stage of the proceedings.

Wherefore the Court, after having seen section 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, on his admission finds defendant guilty of the charge brought against him and condemns him to one year imprisonment which by application of section 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta is being suspended for a period of four 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 four years.

DR. DOREEN CLARKE
MAGISTRAT