

COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA) AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE

Magistrate Dr. Monica Vella LL.D., M.Jur

The Police (Inspector Mario Haber) (Inspector Claire Borg)

VS

Ata Augustine

Today, 8th February 2018

The Court;

Having seen the accusations brought against:

Ata Augustine, holder of Ghanaian Passport H2697888

Charged with having on the 07th February 2018 and in the previous days in Malta while having in his possession Passports issued by a competent authority, that is Italian Passport bearing number MD0025258, issued in the name of Prince Asomah, had transferred this document to another person or received this document which was transferred to him by another person (*Cap 61, Sec 3 of the Laws of Malta*);

Charged also with having on the same date, time and circumstances made use or attempted to make use of Passport, issued to another person, that is the mentioned document (*Cap* 61, *Sec 4 of the Laws of Malta*);

Charged also with having on the same date, time and circumstances made false return, false statement or false representation to the Principal Immigration Officer (*Cap 217, Sec 32(1c) of the Laws of Malta*);

Having seen all documents exhibited by the prosecution;

Having seen the records of the case;

Having explained to the accused the charges against him;

Having heard the accused plead guilty to said charges in today's sitting, and this in the presence of Defence Counsel Dr. Joseph Ellis, thus upon such guilty plea the Court can only find the accused guilty as charged;

Having warned the accused of the legal consequences of such guilty plea and having given the accused further time to reconsider his guilty plea and having heard the accused reconfirm his guilty plea during his arraignment before this Court and thus said guilty plea was registered in the acts of today's sitting, the 8th February 2018;

Therefore:

The Court, after having seen Articles 3 and 4 of Chapter 61, and Article 32(1c) of Chap. 217 of the Laws of Malta hereby finds the accused

guilty as charged and condemns the accused, upon the application of Section 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, to six months imprisonment suspended for two years.

The Courts explained to the accused his obligations arising out of this judgement.

(ft) Magistrate Dr. Monica Vella LL.D, M. Jur.

(ft) Angelo Buttigieg

Deputy Registrar