



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

Magistrate Dr. Doreen Clarke LL.D.

Today, the 16th of February, 2018

**The Police
(Inspector Frankie Sammut)**

vs

Abdul-Aziz Satar

The Court,

Having seen the charges against Abdul- Aziz Satar and holder of Ghanian Passport no H2661427.

Charged with having on the 15th of Febraury, 2018 or days prior this date in these islands forged, altered or tampered with a Passport or used or had in his possession a Passport (permesso di soggiorno), which he knew to be forged, altered or tampered, (Cap 61 Sec 5).

And 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 (Cap 9 Sec 189).

Charged also with having on same period, time and circumstances without lawful authority used or had in his possession any document required for the purposes of this Act which is forged, [Cap 217, Sec 32 (1)(f)].

Having heard defendant admit the charges brought against him.

Having seen the acts of the proceedings.

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 charges brought against defendant on the one hand, and on the other hand defendant's 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)(f) of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta, on his admission finds defendant guilty of the charges brought against him and condemns him to eighteen months imprisonment which by application of section 28A of the said Chapter 9 are 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 4 years.

DR. DOREEN CLARKE
MAGISTRAT