



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

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

The Police

(Senior Inspector Nikolai Sant)

vs

Janis Peternieks

Today, 17th May 2018,

The Court;

Having seen the accusations brought against:

Janis Peternieks, holder of Latvian passport number
LV4400896;

Charged with having on the 16th May 2018 between 07.30hrs
and 08.30hrs in St. Julian's:-

1. Reviled, or threatened or cause a bodily harm to any person/s lawfully charged with a public duty, while in the act of discharging his duty/their duties or because of his/their having discharged such duty, or with intent to intimidate or unduly influence him/them, in the discharge of such duty (*Art. 95 Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta*);
2. Wilfully disturbed the public good order or the public peace (*Art. 338 (dd) Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta*);
3. Disobeys the lawful orders of any authority or of any person entrusted with a public service, or hindered or obstructed such persons in the exercise of his duties, or otherwise unduly interfered with the exercise of such duties, either by preventing other persons from doing what they are lawfully enjoined or allowed to do, or frustrating or undoing what has been lawfully done by other persons, or in any manner whatsoever, unless such disobedience or interference falls under any other provisions of this Code or of any other law (*Art. 338 (ee) Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta*);
4. In any public place or place open to the public, is found drunk and incapable of taking care of himself (*Art. 338 (ff) Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta*);

Having heard the guilty plea of the accused, as duly registered in today's sitting being the first sitting of these proceedings;

Having seen the records of the case;

Having heard the submissions made by the Prosecution and by the Defence;

Having duly considered all the records of the case and all submissions made;

Considers:

That upon the accused's guilty plea the Court finds the accused guilty as charged;

That in pronouncing its judgement the Court is hereby taking into consideration the fact that the accused is a first time offender here in Malta, that the accused registered an early guilty plea, that the accused apologized for his acts and collaborated with the Police and also the nature and gravity of the accusations with which he is charged;

Thus, having seen Art. 95, 338 (dd), (ee), (ff) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, the Court deals with the accused by conditionally discharging him with the specific condition that he does not commit any other offence within a period of three (3) months from today and condemns him to a fine (multa) of two thousand five hundred Euros (€2500).

The Court explained to the accused in simple and clear language his obligations arising out of this judgement.

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

(ft) Angelo Buttigieg

Deputy Registrar