

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

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

The Police (Senior Inspector Trevor Micallef)

VS

Mattyos Solomon Hailgeorgis

Today, 07th November 2018

The Court;

Having seen the accusations brought against:

Mattyos Solomon Hailgeorgis, holder of Refcom no. 23730/18

Charged with having:

"in these islands on the 05th November 2018 at about half past six in the afternoon (06:30a.m) in Hal Far HTC, Birzebbugia and/or in the vicinity:

- Assaulted or resisted by violence or active force not amounting to public violence, persons lawfully charged with a public duty when in the execution of the law or of a lawfully order issued by a competent authority (Art. 96 Chapter 9 of The Laws of Malta);
- 2. Accuse him further with having on the same date, time, place and circumstances reviled, threatened or caused bodily harm on the persons lawfully charged with a public duty, while in the act of discharging his duty or because of having discharged such duty, or with intent to intimidate or unduly influence them in the discharge of such duty (Art. 95 Chapter 9 of The Laws of Malta);
- Accuse him further with having on the same date, time, place and circumstances committed slight bodily harm on the persons of Joseph Camilleri and Mario Zammit (Art. 221(1) Chapter 9 of The Laws of Malta);
- 4. Accuse him further with having on the same date, time, place and circumstances wilfully committed spoil, damage or injury upon movable or immovable property hence police t-shirt to the detriment of the Government of Malta and/or the Malta Police Force and/or other persons and/or other entities which damage

does not exceed twenty-three euros and twenty-nine cents (23.29) (Art. 325 l(d) Chapter 9 of The Laws of Malta);

- 5. Accuse him further with having on the same date, time, place and circumstances wilfully disturbed the public good order or the public peace (Art. 338 (dd) Chapter 9 of The Laws of Malta);
- 6. Accuse him further with having on the same date, time, place and circumstances disobeyed the lawful orders of any authority or of person entrusted with a public service, or hindered or obstructed such persons in the exercise of their duties. (Art 338 (ee) Chapter 9 of The Laws of Malta)."

Having seen all documents exhibited by the Prosecution;

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;

Having explained to the accused the charges brought against him;

Having heard the accused plead guilty to said charges in today's sitting, and this in the presence of Defence Counsel Dr. Graziella Tanti;

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 07th of November 2018;

Considers:

That thus upon such guilty plea the Court can only find the accused guilty as charged;

That in pronouncing its judgement the Court is hereby taking into consideration the fact that the accused registered an early guilty plea and also the nature and gravity of the accusations with which he is charged;

Therefore, The Court, after having seen the said charges, and after having seen Articles 95, 96, 221(1), 325(1d), and 338 (dd) (ee) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta hereby finds the accused guilty as charged and condemns the accused to twelve months imprisonment suspended for two years and a multa of four thousand Euros (€4,000) payable in monthly installments of one hundred and fifteen Euros (€115) each, with the last payment to be made by the end of September 2021.

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