



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

Magistrate Dr. Doreen Clarke LL.D.

Today, the 25th February 2021

**The Police
(Inspector Janetta Grixti)**

vs

Sean Nolan

Drugs number 6/2021

The Court,

Having seen the charges against Sean Nolan, 25 years of age, son of Mark and Susan nee Spiteri, born on the 9th June 1995 in Walsall England, residing at 104, Wild Rose Court, Flat 9, Triq M Ferretti, Birzebbugia, holder of Identity Card bearing number 0223108L.

Charged with having on the 21st November 2020 at about 10:22pm in Ghar Dalam Road Birzebbugia had in his possession the whole or any portion of the plant Cannabis in terms of Section 8(d) of the Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta.

The Court was also requested to apply Section 533(1) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, as regards to the expenses incurred by the Court appointed Experts.

Having seen the order of the Attorney General issued in virtue of section 22(2) of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta for these proceedings to be heard summarily by this Court sitting as a Court of Criminal Judicature.

Having seen that the defendant admitted the charge brought against him, and that he confirmed this admission of guilt even after having been given time to reconsider his plea.

Having seen the documents filed by the prosecuting officer.

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

Having considered

That defendant admitted the charge brought against him; this is consequently sufficiently proven.

With regards to the penalty to be meted out the Court took into consideration the nature of the offence of which the defendant is being found guilty, his cooperation with the investigating officer, and his admission at the earliest stage of these proceedings, the amount of substance found in his possession and his clean conviction sheet.

Wherefore the Court, after having seen sections 8(d) and 22(2)(b)(ii) of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta and the regulations of Legal Notice 292 of the year 1939, on his admission finds defendant guilty of the charge brought against him and by application of section 22 of Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta discharges on condition that he does not commit an other offence in the period of one year.

The Court is also ordering **the distruction of the substance amd objects exhibited Doc JG2**, once this judgement becomes final and definitive, under the supervision of the Registrar, who shall draw up a proces verbal documenting the destruction procedure. The said proces

verbal shall be inserted in the records of these proceedings not later than fifteen days from the said destruction

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 one year.

DR. DOREEN CLARKE
MAGISTRAT