

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

MAGISTRATE NATASHA GALEA SCIBERRAS B.A., LL.D

The Principal Immigration Officer (Inspector Karl Roberts)

VS

Raja Rizwana Sabih (British Passport number 508602249)

Today, 14th August, 2021

The Court,

Having seen the charges brought against the accused **Raja Rizwana Sabih**, daughter of Nas and Shaista, born in Chelmsford, on 20th March 1995, residing in Stansted and holder of a British Passport bearing number 508602249;

Charged with having on 13th August, 2021, or days prior this date in these islands:

1. In order to gain any advantage or benefit for herself or others, in any document intended for any public authority, knowingly made a false declaration or statement, or gave false information (Chapter 9, Article 188(2) of the Laws of Malta);

2. Committed any other kind of forgery, or knowingly made use of any other forged document (Chapter 9, Article 189 of the Laws of Malta).

Having seen the records of the proceedings;

Having seen that the accused pleaded guilty to the charges brought against her, which plea she confirmed, even after the Court, in terms of Article 453(1) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, warned her of the legal consequences thereof, and allowed her sufficient time to reconsider her reply and to retract it;

Having heard submissions by the parties about the punishment to be inflicted.

Considered that:

In view of the guilty plea filed by the accused, the Court cannot but find her guilty of the charges brought against her.

For the purposes of the punishment to be inflicted, the Court took into consideration the early guilty plea filed by the accused, that she cooperated with the Police during the investigation, the circumstances of the case, and the nature of the charges brought against her.

Conclusion

For these reasons, the Court, after having seen Sections 17, 188(1) and 189 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, upon her guilty plea, finds the accused guilty of the charges brought against her and condemns her to a fine (*multa*) of nine hundred euro (€900).

Natasha Galea Sciberras Magistrate