



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

**Magistrate Dr. Donatella M. Frendo Dimech LL.D., Mag. Jur. (Int. Law)**

Today, the 4<sup>th</sup> of January 2023

*Criminal Proceedings No. 133/2023*

**The Police  
(Inspector Eman Hayman)**

**-vs-**

**Jeremie Camilleri, son of Henri Camilleri and Clarise Garaud Camilleri, born in Toulouse, France on the 22nd of February 1989, residing at 33, Triq il-Kbira, Lija and holder of Maltese identity card number 481611L**

The Court,

Having seen the charges brought against the person charged **Jeremie Camilleri** who is being charged with having:

On the 2nd of January 2023 at about 15:30hrs in Attard-

1. Committed simple theft, which offence of theft does not exceed two hundred, thirty-two euros and ninety-four cents (232.94) to the detriment of the Holland & Barrett establishment,

And for having during the 3rd of January 2023 in Sliema-

2. Committed simple theft, which offence of theft does not exceed two hundred, thirty-two euros and ninety-four cents (232.94) to the detriment of the Holland & Barrett establishment,

And moreover for

3. Having infringed a Probation Order under the Laws of Malta whereby he was found guilty of a sentence by the Court of Magistrates (Gozo), presided by Magistrate M. Vella on the 25/02/2021, whereby he was conditionally discharged with various contemplated conditions.

Having Considered,

Whereas having heard the person charged plead guilty to the charges brought against him notwithstanding the fact that the Court warned him in the most solemn manner of the legal consequences of his guilty plea, and after having given him sufficient time within which to reconsider and withdraw his guilty plea;

Having heard witnesses;

Having seen all the acts and documents exhibited;

Having heard the prosecution and defence counsel make their submissions;

Considers:

Having heard the guilty plea of the person charged to the charges brought against him the Court is declaring the person charged guilty of the said charges.

With regards to punishment the Court took into consideration the defendant's early admission of guilt, his worrying criminal record, the nature of the offences of which he stands charged and the circumstances of the case. Consideration was given to the fact that the defendant will be making full compensation for the items stolen<sup>1</sup>. In view of the nature of the offences of which he is being found guilty, the Court is ready to offer the defendant one last opportunity to clean up his act.

This probation order will guarantee that should Camilleri, in the next three (3) years commit another offence, this Court will not hesitate to impose a sentence of imprisonment given that the various opportunities given to the defendant in the past which were aimed towards his rehabilitation and reform, appear to have all been in vain.

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In view of the above, the Court, after having seen Articles 17, 31, 284 and 285 of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, finds the defendant guilty of the charges brought against him and by application of article 7 of The Probation Act, Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta, orders the offender to be placed under an order of probation for a period of **three (3) years**.

Moreover, in terms of Article 24 of the Probation Act, Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta, orders the defendant to make full compensation to Holland & Barrett, Attard and Sliema, for the stolen goods. Payment for the whole amount of **€461.19** is to be made by no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> of January 2023.

This order for the payment of compensation may be enforced in like manner as if it had been given in a civil action between the offender and the person to whom the compensation is ordered to be paid.

Moreover, having seen that the defendant breached a probation order delivered by the Court of Magistrates (Gozo) dated the 25<sup>th</sup> February 2021, after seeing articles 7, 21 and 23 of the Probation Act, Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta, condemns him to the payment of a fine, *ammenda*, of two hundred Euros €200 payable in monthly instalments by no later than the 31<sup>st</sup> March, 2023.

The Court explained to the defendant in ordinary language the significance of this sentence and of the consequences should he fail to commit another offence during the operative period of the probation order or in the event that he does not abide by the instructions the supervising officer will give him during the course of the supervision order as well as should he fail to make full compensation to Holland & Barrett's as is being ordered.

**Dr. Donatella M. Frendo Dimech LL.D., Mag. Jur. (Int. Law)**  
**Magistrate**