



**COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA)
AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE
Magistrate Dr. Astrid May Grima B.A. LL.D. Adv. Trib. Eccles. Melit.**

Today, 16th January 2023

**The Police
(Inspector Andy Rotin)**

Versus

**Weldeghebriel Asmelash Ghebretinsae
(0113089A)**

The Court,

Having seen the charges being brought against Weldeghebriel Asmelash Ghebretinsae son of unknown parents born in place unknown, residing at 31, Little Gozo Crt, Flt 1, Giuseppe Calleja Street Msida, holder of Maltese I.D. card number 0113089A.

Being charged with having on the 10th of April 2022 at about 02.27hrs at 'Paris Lounge' in Saint Joseph High road Santa Venera:

1. At night time, disturbed the repose of the inhabitants by rowidness or bawling, or in any other manner in terms of Art. 338(m) of Chp. 9 of the Laws of Malta.
2. Moreover, as a person responsible for the establishment known as 'Paris Lounge', which is situated in Saint Joseph High Road Santa Venera, he allowed a person to remain in the premises of the times where said premises was supposed to be closed and/or he allowed for the consumption of alcohol by payment or non payment within the prohibited times and as such breaking Regulation 14 L.S. 10.09.

3. Moreover as the licensee, director, manager or owner of the establishment he did not execute in full all the due diligence necessary to avoid the making of the crime that is he permitted the establishment named above to remain open after closing time and not in accordance to the conditions of the licence and therefore by not abiding to the Legal notice Number 276 of 2021;

Having seen all the documents presented in the acts of the proceedings.

Having seen that the Prosecution withdrew the first (1) charge against the accused.

Having seen that the accused registered a guilty plea to the **second (2) and third (3) charge** brought against him during the sitting of the 5th of December 2022.

Having heard the submission of both parties regarding the punishment.

Considered

Whereas during the sitting held on the 5th of December 2022, in the presence of his Lawyer, the accused plead guilty to the **second (2) and third (3) charge** 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 the accused reiterate his guilty plea, after the court warned him of the punishment and consequences such an admission entailed.

Having heard the guilty plea of the accused to the charges brought against him, the Court has no alternative but to declare the accused guilty of the said charges.

Considers

The guilty plea of the accused at the initial stages of these proceedings.

Decide

For the said reasons the Court, after having seen Regulation 14 of L.S 10.09 and LN 276 of 2021 and Articles 7 and 13 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, **finds the accused guilty of the second (2) and third (3) charge** brought against him and condemns him **to pay a fine (ammenda) for the sum of fifty eight Euro and twenty three cents(€ 58.23).**

Dr. Astrid May Grima B.A. LL.D. Adv. Trib. Eccles. Melit.
Magistrate