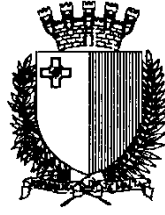


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**THE COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA)
As a Court of Criminal Judicature**

**MAGISTRATE
DR. CAROLINE FARRUGIA FRENDO
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**The Police
(Inspector Jonathan Ransley)**

vs

**Ibrahim Ismail Farouk
Today the 28th of March 2023**

The Court;

Has seen the charges brought against Ibrahim Ismail Farouk of 34 years, born in Zimbabwe, on the 1st of January 1989, son of Ismail and Ramutu nee' Zakkarija, residing: CCF, and holdern of identity card number 55745A:

And charge him with on the 21st January 2023 between 01:00am and 03:00am:

1. With the intent of committing a crime, manifested such intend by overt acts which were followed by a commencement of the execution of the crime, of theft from Robert's Grenn Grocer, Karm Galea street Sliema, which was not completed in consequence of some accidental cause independent of the his will, and if such crime was executed it would have constituted a crime of theft aggravated by time, amount and means to the detriment of Robert Farrugia and/or other persons.

And also charge him during the night of 1st January 2023 and the 2nd January 2023 at Tower Road, Sliema;

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2. Committed theft from vehicle bearing registration number KQZ-444 of cash and/or other objects, which theft is aggravated by amount, time, means and the nature of the thing stolen, which amount exceeds two thousand and three hundred and twenty-nine euro and thirty-seven cents (€2,329.37) to the detriment of Iga Kamila Snopek and/or other persons.

The Court is requested that in the case of a guilty plea orders the accused to pay the expenses in regards of the experts and architects nominated in these procedures according to article 533 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;

The Court is also being requested to deal with the accused as a recidivist as per article 49, 50 and 289 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, by judgements issued by the Court of Magistrates (Malta) which judgements have become absolute.

Has seen that the Prosecuting Officer Inspector Jonathan Ransley has read and confirmed on oath the charges brought against the accused during the sitting dated the 28th of March 2023;

Has seen the acts of the case and the documents exhibited:

- Person details marked as Doc JR1
- Conviction sheet marked as Doc JR2
- Rights of the accused marked as Doc JR3
- Statement marked as Doc JR4
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Having heard the accused during the sitting dated 28th of March 2023 register a guilty plea to the charges brought against him after he was duly examined.

The Court warned the accused about the legal consequences of such guilty plea registered by him and after allowing him a period of time to withdraw his guilty plea and after having explained the effects of such guilty plea and after having given him time to speak again to his legal counsel, the accused once again confirmed his guilty plea.

The Court, after seeing Article 392A(1)(2) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, and in the light of the accused's voluntary and unconditional guilty plea, converted itself to a Court of Criminal Judicature and proceeded to pass judgement on the accused.

Considered

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In view of the accused's guilty plea the Court finds the accused guilty of the charges brought against him. Regarding punishment, the court is taking into consideration the guilty plea at such an early stage of the proceedings, in thus the court did not have to waste time in gathering further evidence.

Decide

Therefore, the Court after having seen Articles 41(1)(a), 261, 263, 267, 270, 278, 279(a)(b), 271(g), of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta is finding the accused guilty of the charges brought against him and condemns him to a period of two (2) years effective imprisonment.

The Court, after having seen Article 392A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta orders that a scanned copy of these proceedings and judgement be sent to the Attorney General according to law.

**Dr. Caroline Farrugia Frendo
Magistrate**

**Brittany-Ann Vella
Deputy Registrar**