



**In the Court of Magistrates (Malta)**  
**As a Court of Criminal Judicature**  
**Magistrate Dr. Yana Micallef Stafrace LL.D.,**  
**Adv. Trib. Ecc.Melit**

The Police

(Inspector Roderick Attard)

Vs

Cameron Andrew Lee Peek

Today 28<sup>th</sup> June 2023

The Court,

After having considered the charges brought against Cameron Andrew Lee Peek of twenty-one (21) years, son of Mark and Jacqueline, born on the 6<sup>th</sup> July 2000 at Brighton, United Kingdom, residing at 47, St Anne Street, Mosta and holder of identity card number 0160321A of having between 20:00 hrs of the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and 06:00 hrs of the 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2022 in Mosta, Malta and / or within the Maltese Islands:

- (1) Reviled, or threatened, or caused bodily harm to PC 2058 Jessica Vassallo, PC 56 Aldo Cauchi, PC 563 Franklin Azzopardi, PC 981 Christian Xuereb and PS 2224 Susanne Mifsud, while in the act of discharging their duty or because of them having discharged such duty, or with intent to intimidate or unduly influence them in the discharge of such duty in violation of section 95 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;
- (2) Wilfully committed any spoil, damage or injury to or upon any movable or immovable property, that is, a Perspex window at the police lock-up, which damage does not exceed two hundred and fifty euro (€ 250) to the detriment of the Government of Malta in violation of section 325 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;
- (3) Disturbed the repose of the inhabitants by rowdiness or bawling, or in any other manner in violation of section 338 (m) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;
- (4) In any manner, wilfully disturbed the public good order or the public peace in violation of section 338 (dd) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;
- (5) Disobeyed the lawful orders of a number of police officers or of any person entrusted with a public service, or hinders or obstructs such person in the person in the exercise of his duties, or otherwise unduly interferes with the exercise of such duties, either by preventing other persons from doing what they are lawfully enjoined or allowed to do, or frustrating or undoing what has been lawfully done by other persons, or in any way whatsoever in violation of section 338 (ee) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;
- (6) Uttering insults or threats to PC 2058 Jessica Vassallo, PC 56 Aldo Cauchi, PC 563 Franklin Azzopardi, PC 981 Christian Xuereb and PS 2224 Susanne Mifsud or being provoked, carried his insult beyond the limit warranted by provocation in violation of section 339 (e) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

After having examined the documents submitted in the records of these proceedings namely: the Police Incident Reports pertinent to this case (fol.5-10, fol. 10); the Conviction Sheet of the accused (fol. 11)

After having seen that during the sitting of the 10<sup>th</sup> February 2022 the defence has not contested the validity of this arrest, that the prosecution read the charges on oath. The court ordered that there is a ban on the name of the accused in all media. After having heard the accused plead guilty to the charges brought against him and this also after the Court, in terms of Section 453(1) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, warned him in the most solemn manner of the legal consequences of his guilty plea after having given him sufficient time within which to reconsider and withdraw his guilty plea;

After having seen that the court granted the accused bail and in view of the particular circumstances of the case ordered a pre-sentencing report regarding the accused by the probation officer and a forensic psychiatrist from the same department. The court also issued a treatment order for the duration of the proceedings in accordance with Article 412D of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

Having heard the evidence of the probation officer Joanna Farrugia tendered on the 25<sup>th</sup> October 2022 and the pre-sentencing report (Document JF) and progress report dated 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Having seen all the evidence, witnesses and documents found in the acts of the case;

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The accused is being charged of having on the having between 20:00 hrs of the 8<sup>th</sup> February 2022 and 06:00 hrs of the 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2022 in Mosta, Malta and / or within the Maltese Islands: (i) Reviled, or threatened, or caused bodily harm to PC 2058 Jessica Vassallo, PC 56 Aldo Cauchi, PC 563 Franklin Azzopardi, PC 981 Christian Xuereb and PS 2224 Susanne Mifsud, while in the act of discharging their duty or because of them having discharged such duty, or with intent to intimidate or unduly influence them in the discharge of such duty in violation of section 95 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta; (ii) Wilfully committed any spoil, damage or injury to or upon any movable or immovable property, that is, a Perspex window at the police lock-up, which damage does not exceed two hundred and fifty euro (€ 250) to the detriment of the Government of Malta in violation of section 325 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta; (iii) Disturbed the repose of the inhabitants by rowdiness or bawling, or in any other manner in violation of section 338 (m) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta; (iv) In any manner, wilfully

disturbed the public good order or the public peace in violation of section 338 (dd) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta; (v) Disobeyed the lawful orders of a number of police officers or of any person entrusted with a public service, or hinders or obstructs such person in the person in the exercise of his duties, or otherwise unduly interferes with the exercise of such duties, either by preventing other persons from doing what they are lawfully enjoined or allowed to do, or frustrating or undoing what has been lawfully done by other persons, or in any way whatsoever in violation of section 338 (ee) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta; (vi) Uttering insults or threats to PC 2058 Jessica Vassallo, PC 56 Aldo Cauchi, PC 563 Franklin Azzopardi, PC 981 Christian Xuereb and PS 2224 Susanne Mifsud or being provoked, carried his insult beyond the limit warranted by provocation in violation of section 339 (e) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

The accused pleaded guilty to all the charges brought against him. In view of guilty plea by the accused, the Court finds the accused guilty of all the charges brought against him.

In so far as concerns punishment the Court, whilst taking into account the nature of the charges brought against the accused, the evidence of the probation officer Ms Joanna Farrugia, and the pre-sentencing report and progress report exhibited in the acts.

After considering that that the accused had a difficult childhood, his mental condition and his various admissions Mount Carmel Hospital for treatment and the alcohol and drug addiction which the accused is afflicted from.

After considering that accused is under psychiatric treatment for his condition regularly attends Caritas to address his problem with alcoholism and is of support to his elderly grandparents and after considering his progress in addressing these challenges.

## **Decision**

Consequently for the above-mentioned reasons, the Court, after having seen articles Sections 95, 325, 338(m), 338 (dd), 338 (ee) and 339 (e) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, finds Cameron Andrew Lee Peek upon his unconditional guilty plea registered before the Court of Magistrates, guilty as charged, and condemns him to a fine of eight hundred euro (€800).

The court is also placing the said Cameron Andrew Lee Peek under a probation order for a period of three years in accordance with the decree that is duly annexed to this judgment, and this according to article 7 of the Probation Act.

The Court is also placing the accused under a Treatment Order in terms of Section 412D of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta for a period of three years and this for him to be able to address his alcohol and drug problem, under those terms and conditions set out in a Decree delivered today, which Decree shall form an integral part of this judgment.

The Court explained to the accused the consequences should it be proved to the Court's satisfaction that the accused has failed to comply with any of the requirement or conditions of the Treatment Order and Probation Order.

The Court orders that a copy of this judgment the probation order and of Treatment Order dated 23rd October 2017, be served on the Director of Probation Services.

**DR. YANA MICALLEF STAFRACE LL.D.**

**MAGISTRATE**

**Doris Serpina Sciberras**

**Deputy Registrar**