

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

Today, 3rd July 2025

Comp. No. 237/2025

The Republic of Malta (Inspector Nico Zarb Inspector Roderick Attard))

VS

Anis Bella (ID card no. 0454054A)

The Court,

After having seen the charges brought against Anis Bella, holder of identity card number 0454054A.

In the name of the Republic of Malta charge him with having on the 12th of March of the year 2025 and/or in the following days between two o' clock (02:00hrs) in the morning and three o'clock (03:00hrs) in the morning, in Triq Santu Wistin, St. Julians and/or other place within the Maltese Islands:

1. Committed the theft of a bag (pouch), containing a number of objects, which theft is aggravated by the time and the amount, which amount does not exceed two thousand and three hundred and twenty-nine Euro and thirty seven cents (€2,329.37), to the detriment of Mateusz Skorupa and/or any other person and/or any other entity;

Article 261(c)(f), 267, 270, 279(a) and 280(1) of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

On the 14th of March of the year 2025 and/or in the following days between one o'clock (01:00hrs) in the morning and three o'clock (03:00hrs) in the morning, in St. George's

Waterfront, St Julian's, Malta adjacent to the Beach Garden Hotel and/or any other place within the Maltese Islands:

- 2. Knowingly received or purchased any property which has been stolen, misapplied or obtained by means of any offence, whether committed in Malta or abroad, or knowingly took part, in any manner whatsoever, in the sale or disposal of the same;
 - Article 334(a) of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.
- 3. Committed the theft of a mobile phone, which theft is aggravated by the time and the amount, which amount does not exceed two thousand and three hundred and twenty-nine Euro and thirty seven cents (€2,329.37), to the detriment of Shawn Mamo and/or any other person and/or any other entity; Article 261(c)(f), 267, 270, 279(a) and 280(1) of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.
- 4. That he had in his possession drugs (Cocaine) specified in the First Schedule of the Dangerous Drug Ordinance, Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta, when he was not in possession of an import or an export authorisation issued by the Chief Government Medical Officer in pursuance of the provisions of part 6 of the Ordinance.

The Court is being requested that, in pronouncing judgement or in any subsequent order, sentence the accused to the payment, wholly or in part, to the registrar, of the costs incurred in connection with the employment in the proceedings of any expert or referee, within such period and in such amount as shall be determined in the judgement or order as per Article 532A, 532B and 533 of the Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

This Honourable Court is also being humbly requested that in case of guilt, to apply the provisions of Article 15A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, in addition to any other punishment established by law.

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

Having seen that the accused registered a guilty plea to all the charges brought against him during the sitting of the 12th June 2025.

Having heard submissions of both parties regarding the punishment.

Considered

Whereas during the sitting held on the 12th June 2025, in the presence of his Lawyer, the accused pleaded guilty to all 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 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 all the charges brought against him, the Court has no alternative but to declare the accused guilty of the said charges.

Decide

For the said reasons the Court, after having seen Article 7, 8, 31, 261(c)(f), 267, 270, 279(a) and 280(1) and 334(a) of Chapter 9 and Part IV and VI, Article 22(1)(a)(1B) and 22(2)(b)(ii), and the First Schedule of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta **finds the accused Anis Bella guilty** of all the charges brought against him, **and condemns him to two (2) years imprisonment**, which in terms of **Article 28A of Chapter 9** of the Laws of Malta are being **suspended for four (4) years**, and also to the payment of a fine (multa) of four hundred and sixty five Euros and eighty seven cents (€ 465.87).

In terms of Article 533 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, there are no expenses to be paid by the accused.

The Court is ordering that a copy of this Judgment is notified to the Commissioner of Police.

The Court is also ordering that in accordance with Article 392A(2) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, the Attorney General is given access to a scanned copy of the Acts of the Proceedings together with a scanned copy of the Judgement within six (6) working days.

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