

## COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA) AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE

## MAGISTRATE DR. CONSUELO-PILAR SCERRI HERRERA

Sitting of the 1 st September, 2005

Number 773/2005

The Police Inspector Roland Cassar V

STEPHEN LILLEY

## **The Court**

Having seen that the accused **STEPHEN LILLEY** aged 49 years, son of Albert Charles and Edith nee Dowing, born in Birmingham UK on the 1<sup>st</sup> January 1956 u residing at 12, Foxhollow Eccllesshall Stratford, holder of passport number 455914424 was arrainged before her accused with having in these Islands in St. Paul's Bay, in the afternoon of the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2005 at around 2.30pm without intent to kill or to put the life of any person, that is

the life of Mario Curmi, in manifest jeopardy, caused the mentioned Mario Curmi harm to his body which bodily harm is considered grievous, which caused any deformity or defigurement in his face as certified by Doctor Armauni of the Mosta Health Centre.

Having seen all the documents exhibited in these acts including the statement released by the same accused a tempo vergine of the investigations on the 29<sup>th</sup> August, 2005 and the relevant medical certification issued by St. Luke's Hospital that Mario Curmi suffered a laceration two centimeters long under his jaw line.

Having heard the accused plead guilty to the charges brought forward against him when he was duly examined in terms of sections 370(4), 390(1) and 392 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta and this on the same day of his arraignment today the 1<sup>st</sup> Sepember 2005.

The Court explained to the accused the consequences of his plea of guilt and after having given him sufficient time to reconsider his plea of guilt and saw that the same accused insisted on registering in the acts of these proceedings his plea of guilt, had no alternative but to register such plea and this in the presence of his defense lawyer.

The Court, having been assured that accused understood the nature of the accusations brought forward against him, had no alternative but to find the accused guilty of such charges.

In the light of the above plea of guilt which guilty plea was made voluntarily, expressly and unconditionally, the Court is satisfied that the accused is to be found guilty of the charges brought forward against him.

The Court took not of the following before proceeding to pronounce judgment in particular the early admission of guilt and consequently the fact that the Court was dispensed from hearing all the evidence of this case, that the accused fully corroborated with the Prosecution during these procedures and that he is a first time offender.

Having seen the relevant sections at law in particular Section 214, 216(1)(b), 227(d), 230, 233(1)(a) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, the Court decides to find the accused STEPHEN LILLEY guilty on his own admission of the charges brought forward against him and sentences the accused to two years imprisonment which period is being suspended for four years in terms of section 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

The Court explained the importance of this judgment to the accused and the consequences if he fails to adhere to it.

Finally the Court orders that a copy of this judgment together with the acts of these proceeding be sent to the Attorney General within three (3) days in terms of Section 401(3) of the Criminal Code.

< Final Judgement >
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