



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

**MAGISTRATE DR.
LAURENCE QUINTANO**

Sitting of the 26th March, 2010

Number 292/2010

**The Police
Insp Geoffrey Azzopardi
vs
Rachida Ommo Aluko**

The Court

Having seen the charges laid against Rachida Ommo Aluko, 36 years of age, daughter of Ilegieuno and Fatima, born in Nigeria on the 14th December 1973 and residing at Kunvent tal-Bon Pastur, Triq Idmejda Balzan, Police number 07W-003

Charged with having in the months prior to the 25th March 2010 in Malta

- 1. Knowingly made use of the forged documents in breach of Article 189, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta**
- 2. Forged, altered or tampered with any passport or used or had in his possession any passport which**

he knew to be forged, altered or tampered with in breach of Article 5, Chapter 61 of the Laws of Malta.

3. Without lawful authority used or had in his possession any forged document required for the purposes of the immigration Act in breach of Article 32 (1) (f) Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta;

4. Embarked without being in possession of a passport and without furnishing the Principal Immigration Officer the prescribed information and such other information as the Principal Immigration Officer might have deemed proper to require in breach of Article 28 of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta.

Having seen that the defendant filed an early guilty plea for all the four charges, hence the charges have been proved in accordance with the law.

The Court, after having seen Articles 17H, 28A, 189 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, then Article 5 of Chapter 61 of the Laws of Malta, Articles 28 and 32 (1f) of Chapter 217, finds the defendant guilty as charged, so however that charge number one is absolved in charge number 3 in accordance with Section 17H of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

The Court is considering the fact that the defendant is the mother of two very young children and also a baby of three months. Moreover there are absolutely no relatives to take care of the children. The defendant has also excused herself for any inconvenience caused. In these very special circumstances, the Court is condemning the defendant to a period of imprisonment of six months, which penalty has to be suspended for a period of two years. The Court is explaining Section 28 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

< Final Judgement >

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