

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

## MAGISTRATE DR. EDWINA GRIMA

Sitting of the 11 th August, 2010

Number 6013/2010

The Police (Inspector Nikolai Sant) (Inspector Malcolm Bondin) Vs

Pol Parreno Prat age 20, son of Pedro and Ana, born at Barcelona in Spain on the 19<sup>th</sup> October 1989, residing at unknown address, holder of Spanish identity card number 7946327K

## and

Javier Marques Perez-Albert age 19, son of Francisco Javier and Bibiana, born at Barcelona in Spain on the 26<sup>th</sup> July 1991, residing at unknown address, holder of Spanish identity card number 47852599H

The Court,

Having seen the charges brought against accused in that they on the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2010 at 05.20hrs, in St. George's Bay, St. Julian's:

- 1. Committed an offence against decency or morals, by any act committed in a public place exposed to the public;
- 2. Also on the same date, time and place on the seashore or in any other public place, exposed themselves naked or were indecently dressed.

Having seen documents exhibited;

Having heard accused register a guilty plea to the charges brought against them which admission was reaffirmed alter the Court gave them adequate time during which to reconsiders same.

Having heard submissions regarding the punishment to be inflicted:

## Considers:

That in view of the guilty plea filed by the accused the Court cannot but find them guilty as charged.

That in considering the punishment to be inflicted, the Court is taking into consideration the guilty plea filed by the accused, clean conviction record and the fact that the accused regret having behaved in such an indecent manner. The Court however feels that it must admonish such behavior which is repeatedly takin place at St. George's Beach by foreign nationals who are creating havoc and even causing damages to boats owned by third parties, littering the beach and even committing indecent acts in a place for recreation during the day for all.including families and young children. The Court is consequently appealing to the authorities foremost of which is .the Malta Tourism Authority to take all the necessary steps to remedy this situation.

Consequently the Court after having see Section 209, 338 and 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, finds the accused guilty as charged and condemns them to a period of one (1) month imprisonment which term of imprisonment is being suspended for a period of one (1) year from today and condemns them also to pay a fine of one hundred euro (€100) each.

The Court warned accused of the consequences according to law should they commit another crime during the period of this sentence.

The Court orders notification of this sentence to the Malta Tourism Authority and to St. Julians Local Council. .

< Final Judgement >
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