

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

MAGISTRATE DR. EDWINA GRIMA

Sitting of the 19 th September, 2011

Number. 344/2011

The Police (Inspector Victor Aquilina)

vs

Oleksandr Kochelaievskyi, son of Gennadiy and Olga Kochelaievskyi, born Russia on the 28.01.197385, residing at Penthouse, Valley View Flats, Triq Birkirkara, San Giljan and holder of Ukrainian passport number EKO12627issued March 2009 u expires March 2019

The Court;

Having seen charges brought against accused who has been charged with:

On the 18th September 2011 and during past one month, in these islands;

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a) Cultivated the plant *Cannabis* in terms of Section 8(c) of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta.

b) had in his possession (otherwise than in the course of transit through Malta of the territorial waters thereof) the whole or any portion the plant Cannabis in terms of Section 8(d) of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta, which drug was found under circumstances denoting that it was not intended for his personal use.

Furthermore on the 18th September 2011 and during the past 3 years, in these islands

c) had in his possession (otherwise than in the course of transit through Malta of the territorial waters thereof) the whole or any portion the plant Cannabis in terms of Section 8(d) of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta.

Having seen documents exhibited;

Having seen the Attorney General's order in terms of sub article(2) of article 22 of the Dangerous Drugs Ordnance (Chapter 101);

Having heard accused plead guilty to the charges brought against him which guilty plea was reaffirmed after the accused was given adequate time to reconsider same.

Having heard submissions regarding the punishment to be inflicted;

Considers;

That in view of the guilty plea filed by the accused the Court finds him guilty as charged.

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That in considering the punishment to be inflicted the Court is taking into consideration the early guilty plea filed by the accused, his clean criminal record and his full cooperation with the police.

Consequently the Court after having seen Sections 8(c)(d), 22(1)(a), 22(2)(b)(i) of Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta, Regulation 9 LS101.01, finds accused guilty as charged and condemns him to a period of one year imprisonment and to the payment of a fine of five hundred euros (\in 500) which fine is to be paid within one (1) year from today.

< Final Judgement >

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