In The Court of Magistrates (GOZO) As a Court of Criminal Judicature Qorti tal-Magistrati (Ghawdex)

Magistrate : Dr. Paul Coppini LL.D.

Sitting : Wednesday 13th March, 2002 .

Case Number : 15/2002 .

The Principal Immigration Officer

(Inspector Neville Xuereb)

VS

- 1. Abarra Hewit, d/o Abarra b/Mekele in 1977.
- 2. Hebratu Miriam, d/o Tamtum b/Gonder in 1975.
- 3. Silesht Azadaric, d/o Silesht b/Ethiopia in 1971.
- 4. Ahmed Abdallah Omar, s/o Omar b/Quanda in 1961.

All Ethiopian Nationals .

- 1. Sadda Sambatu, d/o Sadda b/Asmira in 1962.
- 2. Wuldesus Sanajt, d/o Wuldesus b/Eritrea in 1982.
- 3. Muse Alam, d/o Muse b/Asmara in 1977.
- **4.** Gasai Rigat Ibrahana, d/o Ibrahana b/Asmara on the 05/03/83.
- 5. Letarab Lamlam, d/o Mahali b/Asmara in 1976.
- 6. Habrahtu Rahel, d/o Habrahtu b/Asmara in 1982.
- 7. Kalam Sege, d/o Gabraam b/Baruntu in 1981.
- 8. Tewelde Rahel, d/o Tewelde b/Asmara in 1981.
- 9. Tesfu Ganet, d/o Hawus b/Asmara on the 22/02/79.
- 10. Belai Froeni, d/o Belai b/Durko in 1975.
- 11. Lewesus Meherat, d/o Lewesus b/Asmara in 1980.
- 12. Zeray Tigsti, d/o Zeray b/Eritrea in 1981.
- 13. Manna Elsa, d/o Manna b/Asmara in 1984.
- 14. Tasfai Demuga, d/o Tasfai b/Etrirea in 1969.
- 15. Mikael Distaba, d/o Gebrieski b/Eritrea in 1972.

All Eritrean Nationals .

- 1. Daher Ahmed Abdi, s/o Abdi b/Gismaio on the 04/07/68.
- **2.** Abdi Muhammed Hasan, s/o Muhammed b/Mogadishu on the 29/01/68.
- 3. Geresus Traste, s/o Traste b/Somalia in 1961.
- 4. Mohammed Ahmed, s/o Ahmed b/Kismajo in 1969.
- 5. Gulle Gedi, s/o Gedi b/Kismajo in 1972.
- 6. Mahmoud Abubaker Ahmed, s/o Khaled b/Mogadishu in 1962 .

All Somali Nationals .

The Court,

Having read the charge by which the accused were charged with having on the 4th March 2002, and on the previous days without having been granted a residence permit landed or were in Malta without leave from the Principal Immigration Officer.

That the above cannot show that they have the means to sustain themselves and can become a charge on public funds .

The Court was therefore requested that besides awarding the punishments according to Law, to declare the above mentioned persons as prohibited immigrants and issue a removal order against them in terms of Sections 14 and 15 of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta .

The Court, having also considered the particular circumstances of the case, finds all the accused guilty as charged, but in the particular circumstances, condemns them to one week imprisonment which is suspended for one month, and this without prejudice to any application for refugee status which the accused would apply to .

The Court also orders the removal of the same accused according to section 14 and 15 of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta .

(ft) Paul Coppini Magistrate

(ft) Francis Attard Deputy Registrar.

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