

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

## MAGISTRATE DR. AUDREY DEMICOLI

Sitting of the 23 rd October, 2012

Number 422/2012

The Police (Inspector Johann J Fenech)

**VS** 

## **Balazs Zsiros**

The Court;

Having seen that the accused Balazs Zsiros aged 25, son of Janos and Rozalia nee' Bacs born in Budapest, Hungary on the 15th of March 1987, residing at No 32, Burdens Apartments, Flat 2, Triq il-Kwarta, Swieqi and holder of ID card no 73504A, was arraigned before it and charged with having:

On these Islands during the night between the 19th and 20th October 2012;

a) Had in his possession the psychotropic and restricted drug (ecstasy) without a special authorisation in writing by the superintendent of Public Health, in breach of the provisions of the Medical and Kindred Professions Ordinance, Ch 31 of the Laws of Malta and the Drugs (Control) Regulations, Legal Notice 22 of 1985 as amended.

The Court is humbly requested that, in pronouncing judgement or in any subsequent order, sentence the person convicted to the payment, wholly or in part, to the registrar, of the costs incurred in connection with the employment in the proceedings of any expert or referee, including such experts as would have been appointed in the examination of the process verbal of the inquiry, within such period and in such amount as shall be determined in the judgement or order.

Having seen the order of the Attorney General in virtue of Section 120A(2) of Chapter 31 for this case to be heard by this Court as a Court of Criminal Judicature.

Having heard the accused declare that he has no objection that this case is heard summarily.

Having heard the accused plead guilty to the charges brought against him, and after having warned him of the consequences of his guilty plea after having afforded him sufficient time within which to withdraw his guilty plea, the Court has no alternative but to find the accused guilty of the said charges brought against him.

With regards to punishment the Court took into consideration the fact that the accused filed a guilty plea at such an early stage of the proceedings.

After having seen Article 120A (2)(b)(ii) of Chapter 31 of the Laws of Malta as well as Legal Notice 22/1985, the Court finds the accused guilty of the charge brought against him and in terms of Section 22 of Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta conditionally discharges him subject to

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the condition that he does not commit another offence within one(1) year from today.

The Court orders the forfeiture and distruction of the ecstasy pills marked as Dok JF2.

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