

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

MAGISTRATE DR. EDWINA GRIMA

Sitting of the 23 rd March, 2013

Number. 281/2013

The Police (Inspector Godwin Scerri)

VS

Asanti Kwasi of 40 years, son of Edward and Mary nee` Efree, born in Ghana on the 20/05/1972, residing at Tent Centre, Hal Far holder of identity card number 47624(A)

The Court:

Having seen charges brought against accused who was charged with having:

1. On the 22nd March 2013 at around 11:00am in Valletta, without the intent to kill or to put the lives of PS1330 A Schembri and PS549 R Pace in manifest jeopardy caused the mentioned slight bodily harm as certified by Daniele Youkee med reg no. 5483 of the Floriana Health Center in b reach of Article 221 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

- 2. And having on the same date, time and place assaulted or resisted by violence or active force not amounting to public violence, any person/s lawfully charged with a public duty when in the execution of the law or of a lawful order issued by a competent authority in breach of Article 96(a) of the Laws of Malta.
- 3. And on having on the same date, time and place disobeyed lawful orders of any authority or of any person/s entrusted with a public service, hindered or obstructed such persons in the exercise of their duties, or other unduly interfered with the exercise of such duties in breach of Article 338(ee) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.
- 4. And on having on the same date, time and place in any manner wilfully disturbed the public good order or the public peace in breach of Article 338(dd) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.
- 5. And having on the same date, time and place of refused to give or untruthfully gave to any public officer or any other person entrusted with a public service in the actual exercise of his duties his name, surname, address and other particulars in breach of Article 338(d) of Chapter 9 of the laws of Malta.

Having seen documents exhibited;

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.

That in considering the punishment to be inflicted the Court is taking into consideration the early guilty plea filed by the accused, the fact that the accused regrets the incident caused and states that this was a result of a misunderstanding.

Consequently the Court after having seen sections 221, 96(a), 338(ee), 338(dd), 338(g) and 17h of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta and finds accused guilty as charged and condemns him to a period of six (6) months imprisonment which period of imprisonment after having seen section 28A of Chapter 9 of the laws of Malta is being suspended for a period of one (1) year from today.

The Court is warning the accused of the consequences according to law should he commit another crime during the operative period of this sentence.

Finally the Court orders that the acts together with a copy of the sentence be forwarded to the Attorney Generali according to law.

< Final Judgement >
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