



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

**MAGISTRATE DR.  
EDWINA GRIMA**

Sitting of the 18 th February, 2014

Number. 21/2012

**The Police  
(Inspector Pierre Grech)**

**vs**

**Scott Dixon son of Willia Semple and Eleonor Dixon,  
born in Scotland on the 28/09/1976, residing Chris,  
Triq il-Qantar, Swieqi, ID Card nr. 36185A**

The Court;

Having seen charge brought against the accused who was charged with having on these island on the 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2007 and during the month prior to this date:

Been in possession of the drug Cocaine, a drug which is specified in the First Schedule of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta, when he was not in possession of an import or an export

authorisation issued by the Chief Government Medical Officer in pursuance of paragraphs 4 and Section 6 of the Ordinance and when he was not licensed or otherwise authorised to manufacture or supply the mentioned drugs and was not otherwise licenced by the President of Malta or authorised by the Internal Control of Dangerous Drugs Regulations (GN 292/1939) to be in possession of the mentioned drugs, and failed to prove that the mentioned drugs were supplied to him for his personal use, according to a medical prescription as provided by the said regulations, and this in breach of the 1939 Regulations, fo the Internal Control of Dangerous Drugs (GN 292/1939) as subsequently amended by the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance 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 Ordinance (Chap 101);

Having heard evidence;

Having heard submissions regarding punishment to be inflicted:

Considers:

That from the report exhibited by the Court appointed expert Godwin Sammut ir-results that the substance found in the possession of accused was Paracetamol and not cocaine and consequently in view of the evidence that results in the acts, the charge brought against the accused is legally unfounded.

Consequently the accused is being acquitted of the charges brought against him.

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