



MALTA

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

**MAGISTRATE DR.
DOREEN CLARKE**

Sitting of the 6 th April, 2015

Number. 102/2015

The Police

(Inspector Pierre Grech)

vs

Lauren Wendy Broadbent

Case Number: 102/2015

Today, the 6th April 2015

The Court

Having seen the charges against Lauren Wendy Broadbent, 21 years of age, daughter of John Roland and Lynn, born in Chester, UK on the 04/11/1993, residing at 40, West Bourne Road, Chester, United Kingdom, holder of British passport number GBR 513178610,

Charged with having on these islands on the 5th April 2015 and the days before this date had in her possession the psychotropic and restricted drug without a special authorisation in writing by the superintendent of Public Health, in breach of the provisions of the Medical and Kindred Professions Ordinance Chapter 31 Laws of Malta and the Drugs (Control) Regulations, Legal Notice 22 of 1985 as amended.

Having seen sections 40A and 120A of Chapter 31 of the Laws of Malta and the regulations of Legal Notice 22 of the year 1985.

Having seen the Order of the Attorney General for this case to be tried summarily by this Court sitting as a Court of Criminal Judicature.

Having heard the defendant admit the charge brought against her and confirm her admission of guilt even after having been given time to reconsider her plea.

Having seen the documents filed by the prosecuting officer.

Having heard submissions regarding the penalty to be meted out.

Having considered

That defendant admitted the charge brought against her; this is consequently sufficiently proven.

With regards the penalty to be meted out, the Court took into consideration the nature of the offence of which defendant is being found guilty, her co-operation with the police, her clean conviction sheet, and her admission at the earliest stage of these proceedings.

Wherefore the Court, after having seen sections 40A and 120A of Chapter 31 of the Laws of Malta and the regulations of Legal Notice 22 of the year 1985, on her admission finds defendant guilty of the charge brought against her and by application of section 22 of Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta discharges her on condition that she does not commit an other offence in the period of one year. The Court is ordering the destruction of the exhibit marked Dok PG5 under the supervision of the Registrar of this Court.

The Court explained to the defendant in ordinary language the significance of this judgement and of the consequences should she commit an other offence in the period of one year.

< Final Judgement >

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