



MALTA

**COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA)**  
**AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE**  
**MAGISTRATE DR.**  
**MARSEANN FARRUGIA**

Sitting of the 22 nd June, 2015

Number 1/2015

**The Police**

**(Inspector Jason Francis Sultana)**

**vs.**

**Elena Susnea**

The Court,

Having seen the charge brought against:

Elena Susnea holder of Romanian identity card bearing number GL 880544

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And accuse her:

1. For having on the 14<sup>th</sup> June, 2015 and in the previous days, in Malta, in a public place or in a place exposed to the public, loitered or solicited for the purpose of prostitution or for other immoral purposes and this in breach of article 7(2) of Chapter 63 of the Laws of Malta.

After having heard the evidence and seen all the records of the case and documents submitted.

After having heard the accused plead guilty to the charge brought against her.

After having warned the accused of the serious consequences of her guilty plea and in particular warned her that the maximum punishment for the charge brought against her was of six months imprisonment.

After giving the accused sufficient time to consult with her lawyer to see whether she would like to reconsider her position and after consulting with her lawyer the accused confirmed her guilty plea.

After having heard the oral submissions of the parties on the punishment;

Considered that:

From the evidence brought forward and from the guilty plea filed by the accused herself, the Court concludes that the accused is guilty of the charge laid against her.

As regards the punishment, the Court took into consideration the fact that the accused admitted to the charges at a very early stage of the proceedings and the fact that she co-operated with the police.

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The accused was advertising sexual services in Malta on a website on the internet and she stated that she did not know that it was illegal in Malta to do so. She removed this advertisement immediately from the website as soon as the Police informed her that her actions were illegal.

Hence the Court is of the opinion that in light of the considerations above-mentioned, the accused should be given a conditional discharge.

### **Conclusion**

The Court, after seeing Article 7(2) of Chapter 63 of the Laws of Malta finds the accused guilty as charged, but in the light of the considerations above-mentioned, and by applying Section 22 of Chapter 446, is discharging her, on condition that she does not commit another offence within three years from to-day.

In accordance with Section 22(3) of Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta, the Court explained in clear and simple language the meaning of this judgement to the offender.

**< Final Judgement >**

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