

MALTA

COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA)

AS A COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE

MAGISTRATE DR.

CONSUELO-PILAR SCERRI HERRERA

Sitting of the 8 th July, 2015

Number. 542/2015

The Police

(Inspector Silvio Magro)

vs

REN XIUJU

The Court,

Having seen that the accused **REN XIUJU**, holder of Chinese Passport G54585835 was arraigned before her and charged with having on the 7th July 2015 before 15:00hrs, at the departures area of Malta International Airport:

 Attempted to induce a police officer to commit a crime by offering an amount of money.

The Prosecution requested that in case of guilt there will be the seizure of the Corpus Delicti exhibited in these proceedings.

Having seen all the documents exhibited in the acts of these proceedings by the Prosecution in particular true copy of the passport of the accused, consent of the Attorney General for this case to be dealt with summarily, conviction sheet, statement of the accused, declaration of refusal to legal assistance and current incident report.

Having heard the accused declare that she does not understand the Maltese language and the English language and thus the Court appointed Hu Lenferna De La Motte Litao as an interpreter to translate from Chinese Language to English language and vice versa.

The Court also ordered that the proceedings are to be held in the English language in terms of Section 5 of the Judicial Proceedings Act.

Having heard the accused declare that she is indigent, the Court appointed Dr Joseph Mizzi as Legal Aid Lawyer to assist the accused.

Having heard the accused declare that she understands the nature of the charges brought forward against her.

Having heard the accused plead guilty to the charges brought forward against her.

The Court explained to the accused the consequences of her plea of guilt and after having given the accused sufficient time to reconsider her guilty plea and saw that the same accused insisted on registering in the acts of these proceedings her plea of guilt, had no alternative but to register such plea.

In the light of the above plea of guilt which guilty plea was made voluntarily, expressly and unconditionally, the Court is satisfied that the accused is to be found guilty of the charges brought forward against her.

Having seen that the Prosecution exhibited one thousand, five hundred euro (€1,500) cash money.

Having heard the Prosecution declare that it will be issuing a removal order on the accused once judgement is pronounced.

Thus the Court, having seen the relevant sections at law, in particular Section 120 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, decides to find the accused REN XIUJU guilty of the charges brought forward against her by the prosecution and condemns her to two years imprisonment suspended for four years in terms of Section 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta and orders in terms of Section 23 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta that the money exhibited in these proceedings are confiscated towards the Government of Malta.

The Court orders that a copy of this judgement is sent to the Registrar of the Criminal Courts in view of the confiscation of the money.

< Final Judgement >

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