

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

Magistrate Dr. Monica Vella LL.D., M.Jur

The Police (Spt. Darren Buhagiar)

vs

Habib Yakubu

## Today, 31st March, 2016

The Court;

Having seen the accusations brought against:

Habib Yakubu, holder of Italian alien's passport bearing number 154664 and Italian residence permit card bearing number IO6485335;

**Charged** with having on 30<sup>th</sup> March 2016 and in the previous days in Malta while having in his possession a document issued by a competent authority, that is an Maltese Aliens passport bearing number 9025071 issued in the name of Abdela Haruna, had transferred the mentioned document to another person or

received this document, which were transferred to him by another person (*Chap. 61, Sec 3 of the Laws of Malta*);

And charge him also with having on the same date, time and circumstances made use or attempted to make use of same document, issued to another person at Malta International Airport (*Chap. 61, Sec 4 of the Laws of Malta*);

And charge him also with having on the same date, time and circumstances made false return, false statement or false representation to the Principal Immigration Officer (*Chap. 217, Sec 32(1c) of the Laws of Malta*);

Having seen all documents exhibited by the prosecution;

Having seen the records of the case;

Having explained to the accused the charges against him;

Having heard the accused plead guilty to said charges in today's sitting, and this in the presence of defence Counsel Dr. Noel Bartolo, thus upon such guilty plea the Court can only find the accused guilty as charged;

Having warned the accused of the legal consequences of such guilty plea and having given the accused further time to reconsider his guilty plea and having heard the accused reconfirm his guilty plea during his arraignment before this Court and thus said guilty plea was registered in the acts of today's sitting, the 31st March 2016;

## Therefore;

The Court, after having seen Article 3 and Article 4 of Chapter 61 and Article 32 (1c) of Chap. 217 of the Laws of Malta hereby finds the accused guilty as charged and condemns the accused, upon the application of Section 28A of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, to two years imprisonment suspended for four years.

The Courts explained to the accused his obligations arising out of this judgement.

## (ft) Magistrate Dr. Monica Vella LL.D, M. Jur.

(ft) Angelo Buttigieg Deputy Registrar