



MALTA

**IN THE COURT OF MAGISTRATES (MALTA)
AS COURT OF CRIMINAL JUDICATURE**

**MAGISTRATE
DR. CHARMAINE GALEA**

Today the 13th of February 2019

Case number 98/19

**The Police
(Inspector Joseph Xerri)**

vs

RD

The Court;

Having seen that the offender **RD** was charged with having on the 11th of February 2019 from inside Hyde Park, Flat 15, Gorg Borg Olivier Street, San Giljan:

1. Committed theft of cash money at the expense of Jingxi Li, which theft is aggravated by 'value', 'person' and 'location'.

After having seen all the records of the case;

After having heard the offender plead guilty to the charges at an early stage of the proceedings, which guilty plea was confirmed by the same offender after the Court, in terms of section 453 (1) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, warned her of the legal consequences of that guilty plea, and allowed her sufficient time to re-consider her reply, and to change it;

After having heard the oral submissions on the punishment;

Considered that:

From the evidence brought forward and from the guilty plea registered by the offender herself, the Court concludes that the offender is guilty of the charges laid against her.

As regards the punishment, the Court took into consideration the fact that the offender admitted to the charges at a very early stage of the proceedings and that she co-operated with the police and that she returned all the money stolen to the injured party;

For these reasons, the Court, after having seen sections 261 (c), (d) and (e), 267, 268 (a), 269 (g), 279 (b) and 280 (1) of the Criminal Code, on her admission finds offender RD guilty of the charge brought against her and condemns her to **thirty (30) months imprisonment which by application of section 28A (1) of Chapter 9 are being suspended for a period of four (4) years from today.**

In accordance with sections 28A (4) of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, the Court explained in clear and simple language the meaning of this judgement to the offender, and the consequences which would follow if she fails to abide by it, that is if she commits another offence which is punishable by imprisonment within the operative period.

The Court orders that the acts of this case and this judgement be transmitted to the Attorney General within the time prescribed by law.

Dr. Charmaine Galea
Magistrate

Diane Gatt
Deputy Registrar