



**Court of Magistrates (Malta)  
As a Court of Criminal Judicature**

**Magistrate Dr. Doreen Clarke LL.D.**

**Today, the 25th August 2021**

**Police  
(Inspector Sarah Kathleen Zerafa)**

**vs**

**Petre Marian Gircu**

The Court,

Having seen the charges against Petre Marian Gircu of 24 years, son of Ion Gircu and Mihaela Gircu nee' Straluciuc, born in Romania, on the 3rd February 1997, residing at Room 303, Palumbo, Ghajn Dwieli, Paola and holder of Romanian identity card number KZ 278385

Charged him with having:

1. On the 23rd August 2021, at about half past twelve in the afternoon (12:30hrs), in the shop 'Terranova', Zabbar Road, Fgura, committed theft of clothes and/or other objects, to the detriment of 'Terranova' and/or other persons and/or entities in terms of Article 284 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

The Court was requested, in the case of a guilty plea, to order the accused to pay the expenses in regards of the experts nominated in these procedures according to article 533 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

Having seen that the defendant admitted the charge brought against him and confirmed this admission of guilt even after having been given time to reconsider his plea.

Having heard the submissions of the parties regarding the penalty to be meted out.

Having seen the acts of the proceedings.

Having considered

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

With regards the penalty to be meted out the Court considered the nature of the offence of which the defendant is being found guilty, his cooperation with the police, his admission at the earliest stage of the proceedings and his clean conviction sheet.

Wherefore the Court after having seen sections 42(d) and 284 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta, on his admission finds defendant guilty of the charge brought against him and by application of section 22 of Chapter 446 of the Laws of Malta, discharges him on condition that he does not commit an other offence in the period of two years.

The Court explained to the Court in ordinary language the significance of this judgement and of the consequences should he commit an other offence in the aforesaid time period.

**DR. DOREEN CLARKE LL.D**  
**MAGISTRATE**