



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

**MAGISTRATE DR.
AUDREY DEMICOLI**

Sitting of the 29 th January, 2010

Number. 71/2010

**The Police
(Inspector Geoffrey Azzopardi)
vs
Collins Osuagwu**

The Court;

Having seen the charges brought against, Collins Osuagwu, of 39 years, son of Felix and Franka, born in Imo State, Nigeria, residing in Safi Detention Centre Malta and holding police number 08TTT-026, was arraigned before the Court and charged with having:

1. Escaped from Safi Barracks, that is, a place of custody, in terms of Article 151 and 160 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta;
2. Embarked without a passport and with furnishing the Principal Immigration Officer the prescribed information and such other information as the Principal

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Immigration Officer may have deemed proper to require, in terms of Article 28 of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta.

Having heard the accused plead guilty to the charges brought against him, notwithstanding the fact that the Court warned him of the consequences of his guilty plea after having afforded him sufficient time within which to withdraw his guilty plea.

Having heard the guilty plea of the accused to the charges brought against him the Court has no alternative but to declare the accused guilty of the said charges brought against him.

With regards to punishment the Court took into consideration the fact that the accused has a clean criminal record. The Court also took into consideration the fact that he pleaded guilty at an early stage of the proceedings.

The Court after having seen sections 17, 151, 160 of Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta and sections 28 and 32 of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta, finds the accused guilty of all the charges brought against him and condemns him six (6) months imprisonment.

< Final Judgement >

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