



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

**MAGISTRATE DR.  
JACQUELINE PADOVANI**

Sitting of the 1 st March, 2011

Number 361/11

Tony Owuzu 19 years of age, Nationality Ghana son of late Owuzu and late Sandra, born in Ghana in 1st Febraury 1992, Residing in Bugibba, Boat number not available.

And charge him with having on the 28th February, 2011 at MIA and/or in previous days in Malta, forged altered or tempered with a passport/s or used or had in his possession a passport/s which he knew to be forged, altered or tempered with, one (1) Italian travelling document, one (1) Italian Identity Card and one (1) Italian Residence Permits. Chap 61 Sec 5.

And charge him with having on the same date and circumstances while in Malta, knowingly made use of a forged documents being the above mentioned passport/ identity card and residence permit. Chap. 9 Sec 189.

Also charge him with having on the same date and circumstances and / or the previous days in Malta, made

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use of a false return, false statement or false representation and/or furnished the principal immigration officer with false information. Chap 217 Sec 32(1c)

Therefore, requested that this case be dealt with according to the law.

Having heard the evidence tendered on oath;

Having seen the record of the proceedings;

Having heard the plea of guilt registered by the accused

Having heard the confirmation of the plea of guilt, after the Court accorded a reasonable time for reconsideration.

Having heard the oral submissions

Deliberates:

On the strength of the registration of a guilty plea by the accused, the Court finds the accused Tony Owuzu guilty as charged and after having seen article 5 of Chapter 61 of the Laws of Malta, Article 189 and 28 A of Chapter 9 of the laws of Malta and Article 32 (1)(c) of Chapter 217 of the Laws of Malta condemns the accused Tony Owuzu to 7 months imprisonment suspended for one year.

The Court explained the consequences of a suspended Sentence to the accused in a manner to ensure that he fully understood the repercussions thereof.

This punishment was awarded after the Court took in to consideration the fact that the accused was a fist offender, that he registered a guilty plea in the early stages of the proceeding and in view of all the circumstances of the case.

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