

ARB/C015/2023 – VARIATION OF A SEIZING AND FREEZING ORDER

IT IS BEING NOTIFIED that by a decree dated 18th December, 2025 given by the Court of Magistrates (Malta) as a Court of Criminal Inquiry – (Magistrate Dr Leonard Caruana LL.D.). Compilation Number 313/2023, in the case:

The Republic of Malta

Versus

MARTIN FARRUGIA, construction worker, 48 years, son of Carmel Farrugia and Matilde Farrugia née Apap, born in Qormi, Malta on the 17th September, 1977, and residing at 35, 'Bliss Court', Flat 6, Triq iż-Żonqor, Santa Venera and holder of a Maltese Identity Card bearing number 500077M.

and

HENRIETTE CASSAR;

The Court AUTHORISES the transfer of four leopards and four pumas property of **MARTIN FARRUGIA** to the Pafos Zoo in Cyprus subject to the following conditions:

- a) Martin Farrugia shall obtain all the necessary authorisations and permits from the competent and relevant local and foreign authorities required for this type of transfer;
- b) the animals shall remain the property of Martin Farrugia, and may be returned to Malta at his expense should this Court so order;
- c) in the event that the animals fall ill, die or are negatively affected in any manner, Martin Farrugia shall immediately inform the Director of the Asset Recovery Bureau of such developments.

This variation is being published in terms of Article 36 (4)(a) of the Proceeds of Crime Act, Chapter 621 of the Laws of Malta, following a temporary seizing and freezing order which decree was given by the Court of Magistrates (Malta) as a Court of Criminal Inquiry (Magistrate Dr Gabriella Vella LL.D.) on the 19th April, 2023 which was published in the Government Gazette on the 25th April, 2023 where the court ordered the attachment in the hands of third parties in general of all moneys and other movable or immovable property due or pertaining or belonging to **MARTIN FARRUGIA and Henriette Cassar**.

Today, 23rd December, 2025

Ms Eunice Grech Fiorini

Director, Asset Recovery Bureau

ARB/C015/2023 – VARJAZZJONI TAL-ORDNI TA' QBID U IFFRIŻAR

IKUN JAF KULHADD illi b'digriet mogħti fit-18 ta' Diċembru, 2025 mill-Qorti tal-Maġistrati (Malta) – bħala Qorti Struttorja – (Maġistrat Dr Leonard Caruana LL.D.). Kumpilazzjoni Numru 313/2023, fil-kawża fl-ismijiet:

Ir-Repubblika ta' Malta

Kontra

MARTIN FARRUGIA, haddiem tal-kostruzzjoni, ta' 48 sena, iben Carmelu Matilde Farrugia xebba Apap, imwieled Hal Qormi, Malta fis-17 ta' Settembru, 1977, u residenti ġewwa 35, 'Bliss Court', Flat 6, Triq iż-Żonqor, Santa Venera u detentur ta' Karta tal-Identità Maltija bin-numru 500077M.

HENRIETTE CASSAR;

Il-Qorti AWTORIZZAT it-trasferiment ta' erba' leopardi u erba' *pumas* proprjeta ta' **MARTIN FARRUGIA** fiż-Żoo ta' *Pafos* ġewwa Ċipru, sugġett għall-kundizzjonijiet segwenti:

- a) Martin Farrugia għandu jkseb l-awtorizzazzjonijiet u l-permessi kollha meħtieġa mill-awtoritajiet kompetenti u rilevanti, kemm lokali kif ukoll barranin, għal dan it-tip ta' trasferiment;
- b) l-annimali jibqgħu proprjeta ta' Martin Farrugia, u jistgħu jingiebu lura lejn Malta bi spejjeż tiegħu jekk hekk jiġi ordnat minn din il-Qorti;
- c) fl-eventwalità li l-annimali jimirdu, imutu jew jiġu affettwati b'mod negattiv b'xi mod, Martin Farrugia għandu jinforma immedjatament lid-Direttur tal-Uffiċċju għall-Irkupru tal-Assi dwar tali żviluppi.

Din il-varjazzjoni qed issir ai termini tal-Artikolu 36(4)(a) tal-Att dwar ir-Rikavat mill-Kriminalità, Kapitolu 621 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta, wara digriet ta' ordni ta' qbid u iffriżar temporanja mogħti mill-Qorti tal-Maġistrati (Malta) bħala Qorti Struttorja (Maġistrat Dr Gabriella Vella LL.D.), fid-19 ta' April, 2023 li giet ippublikata fil-Gazzetta tal-Gvern fil-25 ta' April, 2023 fejn il-Qorti ordnat iż-żamma u s-sekwestru f'idejn terzi persuni b'mod ġenerali, tal-flejjes u l-propjeta mobbli jew immobbli kollha li huma dovuti lil, jew imissu lil, jew li huma proprjeta ta' **MARTIN FARRUGIA u Henriette Cassar.**

Illum, 23 ta' Diċembru, 2025

Is-Sinjura Eunice Grech Fiorini
Direttur, Uffiċċju għall-Irkupru tal-Assi