

ARB/C049/2022 – VARIATION OF SEIZING AND FREEZING ORDER

IT IS BEING NOTIFIED that by a decree dated 29th January, 2026 given by the Court of Magistrates (Malta) as a Court of Criminal Judicature – (Magistrate Dr Leonard Caruana LL.D.). Compilation Number 401/2022, in the case:

The Republic of Malta

Versus

MARIO DEGIORGIO, pensioner, 68 years, son of the late Lewis and the late Josephine née Bezzina, born in Marsa, Malta on the 11th May, 1957, and residing at ‘De Port’, Flat 4, Triq Stiefnu Zerafa, Marsa and holder of Maltese Identity Card bearing number 371757M.

The Court ORDERED that the Seizing and Freezing Order issued against **MARIO DEGIORGIO** on the 26th July 2022 shall henceforth be regulated by Article 23A of the Criminal Code (Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta), Article 5 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (Chapter 373 of the Laws of Malta), and Article 36 of the Proceeds of Crime Act (Chapter 621 of the Laws of Malta), as amended by Act VI of 2024, subject to the following conditions:

- (a) The Court established today’s date as the date from which the Seizing and Freezing Order shall be regulated in terms of Article 36 of the Proceeds of Crime Act (Chapter 621 of the Laws of Malta), as amended by Act VI of 2024;
- (b) The Court limited the Seizing and Freezing Order to the total amount of one hundred sixteen thousand six hundred twelve Euro and forty-one cents (€116,612.41).

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 seizing and freezing order which decree was given by the Court of Magistrates (Malta) as a Court of Criminal Inquiry (Magistrate Dr Rachel Montebello LL.D.) on the 26th July, 2022 which was published in the Government Gazette on the 29th July, 2022 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 **MARIO DEGIORGIO**.

Today, 16th February, 2026

Ms Eunice Grech Fiorini
Director, Asset Recovery Bureau

ARB/C049/2022 – VARJAZZJONI TAL-ORDNI TA' QBID U IFFRIŻAR

IKUN JAF KULHADD illi b'digriet mogħti fit-29 ta' Jannar, 2026 mill-Qorti tal-Maġistrati (Malta) bħala Qorti ta' Ġudikatura Kriminali – (Maġistrat Dr Leonard Caruana LL.D.). Kumpilazzjoni Numru 401/2022, fil-kawża fl-ismijiet:

Ir-Repubblika ta' Malta

Kontra

MARIO DEGIORGIO, pensjonant, ta' 68 sena, iben il-mejjet Lewis u l-mejta Josephine xebba Bezzina, imwieled il-Marsa, Malta fil-11 ta' Mejju, 1957, u residenti ġewwa 'De Port', Flat 4, Triq Stiefnu Zerafa, Marsa u detentur ta' Karta tal-Identità Maltija bin-numru 371757M.

Il-Qorti ORD NAT li l-Ordni ta' Qbid u Iffriżar maħruġa fil-konfront ta' **MARIO DEGIORGIO** nhar is-26 ta' Lulju 2022 għandha minn issa 'l quddiem tiġi regolata bl-Artikolu 23A tal-Kodiċi Kriminali (Kap. 9 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta), bl-Artikolu 5 tal-Att Kontra l-Money Laundering (Kap. 373 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta), u bl-Artikolu 36 tal-Att dwar ir-Rikavat mill-Kriminalità (Kap. 621 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta), kif emendat bl-Att VI tal-2024, taħt il-kundizzjonijiet segwenti:

- (a) Il-Qorti stabbiliet id-data tal-lum bħala d-data li minnha l-Ordni ta' Qbid u Iffriżar għandha tibda tiġi regolata bl-Artikolu 36 tal-Att dwar ir-Rikavat mill-Kriminalità (Kap. 621 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta), kif emendat bl-Att VI tal-2024;
- (b) Il-Qorti tillimita l-Ordni ta' Qbid u Iffriżar għall-ammont kompleksiv ta' mija u sittax-il elf, sitt mija u tnax-il Ewro u wiehed u erbghin ċenteżmu (€116,612.41).

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 mogħti mill-Qorti tal-Maġistrati (Malta) bħala Qorti Strutturja (Maġistrat Dr Rachel Montebello LL.D.) fis-26 ta' Lulju, 2022 li ġiet ippubblikata fil-Gazzetta tal-Gvern fid-29 ta' Lulju, 2022 fejn il-Qorti ordnat iż-żamma u s-sekwestru f'idejn terzi persuni b'mod ġenerali, tal-flejjes u l-propjetà mobbli jew immobbli kollha li huma dovuti lil, jew imissu lil, jew li huma propjetà ta' **MARIO DEGIORGIO**.

Illum, 16 ta' Frar, 2026

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