ARB/C127/2025 – SEIZING AND FREEZING ORDER

IT IS BEING NOTIFIED that by a decree dated 08th November, 2025 given by the Court of Magistrates (Malta) as a Court of Criminal Inquiry – (Magistrate Dr. Nadine Sant Lia LL.D.), with Compilation Number 988/2025, in the case:

The Republic of Malta

Versus

CHRISTOPHER PACE, 40 years, son of Carmel Pace and Joyce Pace nee' Bugeja, born in Pietà, on the 19th May, 1985, residing at 6, Triq il-Mandolina, San Gwann and holder of a Maltese Identity Card bearing number 331485M.

AND

JEAN PAUL AZZOPARDI, 32 years, son of Jason Azzopardi and Georgina Azzopardi nee' Farrugia born in Pietà, on the 23rd July, 1993, residing at 49, Flat 2, Triq San Pawl, Bormla and holder of a Maltese Identity Card bearing number 345193M.

AND

LEE FALZON, 23 years, son of Romina Falzon, born in Pietà, on the 10th June, 2002, residing at Block 5, Bieb B, Flat 5, Misrah Lewza, San Gwann and holder of a Maltese Identity Card bearing number 246802L.

AND

LORITA PACE, 41 years, daughter of Carmelo Pace and Silvana Pace nee' Zahra born in Pietà, on the 9th July, 1984, residing at Xiwan ZL, Triq il-Bahar l-Iswed, San Giljan and/or 31, Flat 4, Triq San Zakkarija, Valletta and holder of a Maltese Identity Card bearing number 362484M

The Court ORDERED the attachment in the hands of third parties in general of all moneys and other movable property due to or pertaining or belonging to **CHRISTOPHER PACE, JEAN PAUL AZZOPARDI** and **LORITA PACE** and prohibits the said accused from transferring, pledging, hypothecating or otherwise disposing of any movable or immovable property, and this in terms of Article 22A of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta, Article 5 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, Chapter 373 of the Laws of Malta and Article 23A of the Criminal Code Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta.

The Court also ORDERED the attachment in the hands of third parties in general of all moneys and other movable property due to or pertaining or belonging to **LEE FALZON** and prohibits the said accused from transferring, pledging, hypothecating or otherwise disposing of any movable or immovable property, and this in terms of Article 22A of the Dangerous Drugs Ordinance, Chapter 101 of the Laws of Malta and Article 23A of the Criminal Code, Chapter 9 of the Laws of Malta

The Court AUTHORISED the said accused to receive the amount of thirteen thousand, nine hundred and seventy-six Euro and twenty-four cents (€13,976.24) each, per year, after the accused indicate with a note from where they are perceiving this money.

Any person who acts in contravention of the court order mentioned in Article 22A, Article 5 and Article 23A referred to above shall be guilty of an offence and shall on conviction be liable to a fine (*multa*) not exceeding eleven thousand, six hundred and forty-six Euro and eighty-seven cents (€11,646.87), or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding twelve months, or to both such fine and imprisonment.

Any transfer or other disposal of any property made in contravention of the said Court order shall be null and without effect at law.

Today, 19th November, 2025

Ms Eunice Grech Fiorini
Director, Asset Recovery Bureau

ARB/C127/2025 – ORDNI TA' QBID U IFFRIŻAR

IKUN JAF KULĦADD illi b'digriet mogħti Fit-8 ta' Novembru, 2025 mill-Qorti tal-Maġistrati (Malta) bħala Qorti Istruttorja – (Maġistrat Dr. Nadine Sant Lia LL.D.), Kumpilazzjoni Numru 988/2025, fil-kawża fl-ismijiet:

Ir-Repubblika ta' Malta

Kontra

CHRISTOPHER PACE, ta' 40 sena, iben Carmel Pace u Joyce Pace xebba' Bugeja, imwieled ġewwa l-Pietà, fit-19 ta' Mejju, 1985, residenti ġewwa 6, Triq il-Mandolina, San Ġwann u detentur ta' Karta tal-Identita Maltija bin-numru 331485M.

U

JEAN PAUL AZZOPARDI, ta' 32 sena, iben Jason Azzopardi u Georgina Azzopardi xebba' Farrugia, imwieled ġewwa l-Pietà, fit-23 ta' Lulju, 1993, residenti ġewwa 49, Flat 2, Triq San Pawl, Bromla u detentur ta' Karta tal-Identita Maltija bin-numru 345193M.

U

LEE FALZON, ta' 23 sena, iben Romina Falzon, imwieled ġewwa l-Pietà, fl-10 ta' Lulju, 2002, residenti Block 5, Bieb B, Flat 5, Misraħ Lewża, San Ġwann u detentur ta' Karta tal-Identita Maltija bin-numru 246802L.

U

LORITA PACE, ta' 41 sena, bint Carmelo Pace u Silvana Pace xebba' Zahra, imwielda ġewwa Pietà, fid-9 ta' Lulju, 1984, residenti ġewwa Xiwan ZL, Triq il-Baħar l-Iswed, San Ġiljan u/jew 31, Flat 4, Triq San Zakkarija, Valletta u detentur ta' Karta tal-Identita Maltija bin-numru 362484M.

Il-Qorti ORDNAT is-sekwestru f'idejn partijiet terzi b'mod ġenerali l-flus u kull proprjetà mobbli oħra dovuta jew li tappartjeni jew li hija ta' **CHRISTOPHER PACE, JEAN PAUL AZZOPARDI** u **LORITA PACE** u pprojbiethom milli jittrasferixxu, jagħtu b'rahan, jipotekaw jew xort'oħra jiddisponu minn xi propjetà mobbli jew immobbli, u dan ai termini tal- Artikolu 22A tal-Ordinanza dwar il-Mediċini Perikoluży, Kapitolu 101 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta, tal-Artikolu 5 tal-att kontra *Money Laundering,* Kapitolu 373 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta u tal-Artikolu 23A tal- Kodiċi Kriminali, Kapitolu 9 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta.

Il-Qorti ORDNAT ukoll is-sekwestru f'idejn partijiet terzi b'mod ġenerali l-flus u kull proprjetà mobbli oħra dovuta jew li tappartjeni jew li hija ta' **LEE FALZON** u pprojbiethu milli jittrasferixxi, jagħti b'rahan, jipoteka jew xort'oħra jiddisponi minn xi propjetà mobbli jew immobbli, u dan ai termini tal-Artikolu 22A tal-Ordinanza dwar il-Mediċini Perikoluży, Kapitolu 101 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta u tal-Artikolu 23A tal- Kodiċi Kriminali, Kapitolu 9 tal-Liġijiet ta' Malta.

Il-Qorti AWTORIZZAT lill-imputati li jirċievu l-ammont ta' tlettax-il elf disa' mija u sitta u sebgħin Euro u erbgħa u għoxrin ċenteżmu (€13,976.24) kull wieħed, fis-sena, wara li l-imputati jindikaw b'nota minn fejn ħa jipperċepixxu dawn il-flejjes.

Kull persuna li tagħmel xi ħaġa bi ksur tal-ordni tal-Qorti msemmi fl-Artikolu 22A, fl-Artikolu 5 u fl-Artikolu 23A, tkun ħatja ta' reat u teħel meta tinstab ħatja multa ta' mhux iżjed minn ħdax-il elf, sitt mija u sitta u erbgħin Euro u sebgħa u tmenin ċenteżmu (€11,646.87) jew priġunerija għal żmien ta' mhux iżjed minn tnax-il xahar, jew dik il-multa u priġunerija flimkien.

Kull trasferiment ieħor jew tneħħija oħra ta' propjetà li jsiru bi ksur ta' dik l-ordni tal-Qorti jkunu nulli u ma jkollhom ebda effett fil-liġi.

Illum, 19 ta' Novembru, 2025

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