



**FEDERATION OF AUTONOMOUS PRIORIES
OF THE SOVEREIGN ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF JERUSALEM
KNIGHTS OF MALTA**

OFFICE OF THE GRAND MASTER

MAGISTERIAL CHARTER 02 / 2019

To all Dames and Knights, Brethren of
Our Sovereign Order and State
let it be known by the present letters that

We, Jose, by the Grace of God Hereditary Regent and Grand Chancellor of the Sovereign Order of Cyprus, Hereditary Prior Procurator General of the Grand Priory of the Most Holy Trinity of Villedieu and, by the Will of Our fellow Knights, Grand Master and Head of the State of the Federation of Autonomous Priories of the Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, also said of the Knights of Malta, in virtue of the Constitutional powers bestowed upon Us,

in the sequence of Our Magisterial Decree 01/2019, and in front of the findings of an investigation conducted by our Sovereign Order to the conduct of our brother Knight Sir Karoly Andras Nagy while in the position of Minister of the Foreign Affairs of the Government of Our State, in accordance with Articles 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 7th of the Chapter VII of Our Constitutional Letter

By the present Charter

ARTICLE 1. We come to appoint the hereinafter mentioned fellow Knights and Jurists to assist the President of Our Magisterial Court of Peace, in the judgement of the above mentioned Sir Karoly Andras Nagy, being the following the constitution of this Court for the present case:

A- Fra Dr Abel Augusto Madeira de Lacerda Botelho, jurist from Portugal – President of the Magisterial Court of Peace.

B- Sir Dr. Gabor Muskovszky, jurist from Hungary – appointed as Judge with the mission of Assistant to the President of the Magisterial Court of Peace.

C- Sir Dr. Francesco Ivaldi, Jurist and Judge from Italy - appointed as Judge with the mission of Assistant to the President of the Magisterial Court of Peace.

D- Sir Dr. Peter Sulányi, Jurist from Hungary and owner a very well reputed company of Translators and Interpreters – appointed as Public Attorney representing the interests of our Sovereign Order in this case, providing, if necessary, translation of some documents to the Judges and gathering and collecting the documents to be presented to the Court and to its Judges.

ARTICLE 2. In accordance with Article 3rd of the Chapter VII of our Constitutional Letter We come to define the internal operating rules and procedures of this Court for the present case, which will be as follows:



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- a) Due to geographic location of the members of this court all proceedings will take place by electronic means, normally known as Internet.
- b) The Public Attorney will present as soon as possible to the Judges his Note of Fault containing the findings of the investigation done in several countries to the actions of our Knight Sir Karoly Andras Nagy while performing the duties as Minister of Foreign Affairs. This Note of Fault must also contain in attachment all the documents which constitute evidences of the facts.
- c) The President of the Court after receiving the Note of Fault from the Public Attorney will send it at once to the Defendant Sir Karoly Andras Nagy, giving him a period of time, to be defined by the President of the Court, to contest the facts stated and enacted in the Note of Fault. In accordance with the Article 3rd of the Chapter XV of Our Constitutional Letter the Defendant, if he so wishes, has the right to choose and appoint a fellow Knight or Dame to act in his/her defense, but this without prejudice of the period of time given by the President of the Court to the defense.
- d) After the eventual presentation of the Defendant's arguments to contest the Note of Fault each Judge, separately, will, based in all facts, come to a verdict and, being the case, will present a proposal of punishment of the Defendant, which will be communicated by them to the President of the Court who will consider their verdicts and proposals and will include them in his own final Verdict and, being the case, will pronounce a Sentence of Punishment of the Defendant.
- e) The President of the Court, as soon as he reaches a Verdict and, being the case, pronounces a Sentence of Punishment, will inform the Defendant and the Grand Master of the Decision of the Court.
- g) In accordance with Article 4th of the Chapter XV of Our Constitutional Letter against the eventual sentence delivered by the Magisterial Court of Peace, an Appeal of Grace can be made to the Grand Master, whose decisions will be final and irrevocable.

ARTICLE 3. The present Magisterial Charter is effective from this day on.

The present Charter, was given in two pages, at Our Magisterial House this 21st day of the month of January of the year of our Lord 2019 and to it We have hereunto set Our hand and the seals in use at this House .



His Most Eminent Highness José , Prince

GRAND MASTER AND HEAD OF THE STATE