

The decision to prosecute Mr Dalli and Mr Zammit was taken on the basis of the evidence collected by the Malta police and Olaf and after two detailed meetings with lawyers at the Attorney General's office.

Mr Rizzo said Inspector Angelo Gafa had been in regular contact with Mr Dalli's lawyer regarding Mr Dalli's physical and mental condition. Mr Dalli was not considered as having escaped from Malta and was expected back. Mr Rizzo said he did not consider it ethical to proceed in Mr Dalli's absence through arraignment by summons in the months before a general election on such a major case involving alleged bribery, more so as he wished to interview Mr Dalli once more.

No politician ever spoke to him on how to proceed in this investigation, Mr Rizzo said. The pressure on the case he had spoken about in the past came from the media and from remarks made in Parliament including, among others, Prime Minister Lawrence Gonzi, Dr Franco Debono who repeatedly asked what stage the investigation had reached, and Dr Alfred Sant. It was to be expected that the media and the MPs wanted to know the outcome of the case, which had led to Mr Dalli's departure from the European Commission.

Mr Rizzo said he was not informed by Mr Dalli of his return to Malta. He had known that Mr Dalli would return, but not when.

Asked by Chris Said (PN) whether he had stepped down or resigned from the post of Police Commissioner, Mr Rizzo said he was still a member of the Police Force with the rank of Former Commissioner, but he was ordered by the Prime Minister to serve as head of the Civil Protection Department. The Prime Minister had told him, on April 8, that he was being transferred because he had served as police commissioner for 12 years, which was a long time. He however also told him the police force had progressed under his command. He did not know of other reasons why he was transferred. In his hour-long meeting with Prime Minister Muscat, no particular case was discussed.

He said his successor, Commissioner Paul Zammit, never spoke to him about the Dalli case.

No further questions were asked.

#### JOHN DALLI REACTS

In a reaction, Mr Dalli denied knowing of any trading in influence.

"I again reject this in the most assiduous way. I reiterate that I did not know of any attempt of trading in influence. The facts that even OLAF could not refute are that I was never swayed in my resolve to push through a tobacco directive which would have been effective."

Mr Dalli said Mr Rizzo had confirmed he had not completed his investigations and had wanted to interview him again.

The former commissioner had had all the time in the world to interview him again before he left Malta and after he returned, which was before he was replaced, Mr Dalli said.

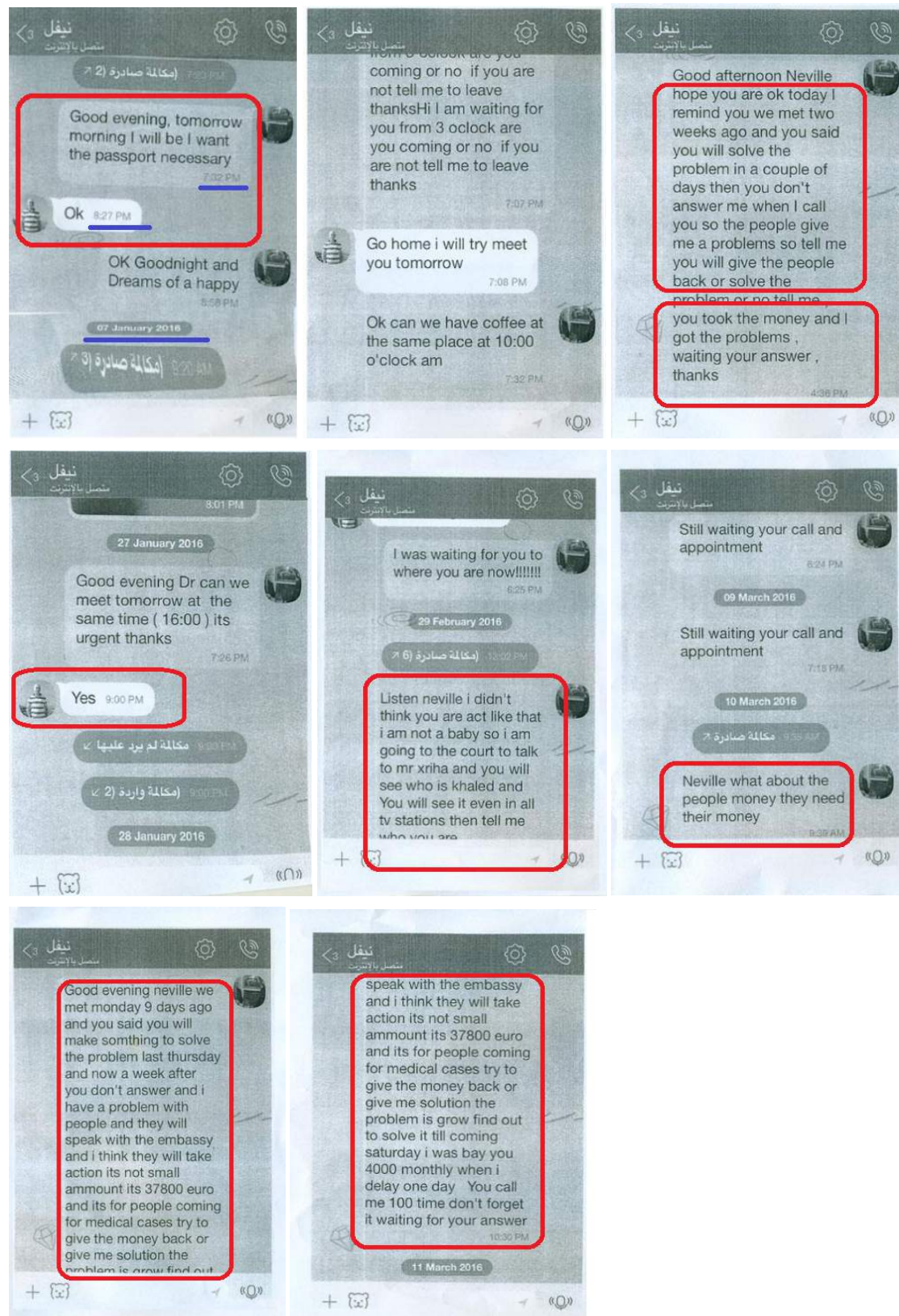
"How is Mr Rizzo making these assertions when he still had not concluded his investigation? Is this ethical behaviour on his part to publicise an opinion he held before having concluded his investigation?"

Mr Dalli said that had the police interrogated him after the leak of the OLAF report, it would have been him to ask Mr Rizzo many questions.

"I would have asked about his interview in Brussels with (Swedish Match representative) Johann Gabrielsson, when, as reported by Gabrielsson and corroborated by Cecilia Isaksson (of Swedish Match) Gabrielsson was advised by both OLAF and the Malta police to continue stating his version about the meeting of the 10 February 2012, and which, back then, they all knew was a falsity, not to disrupt 'investigations' in Malta. Mr Rizzo has not yet taken any action against Johan Gabrielsson for this serious statement," Mr Dalli said.

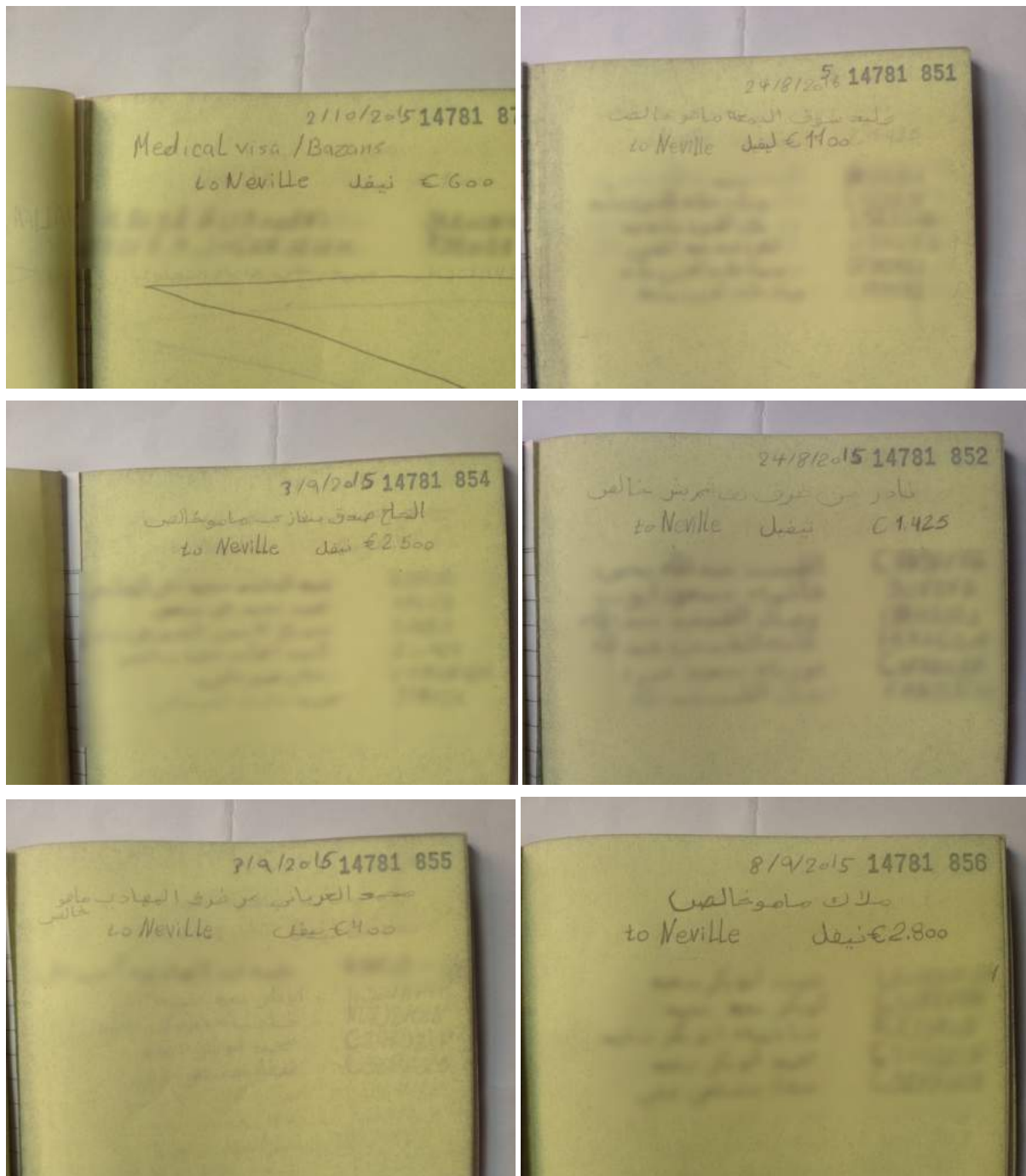
## Appendix 3 – Viber chats between Khalid Ibrahim Ben Nasan and Neville Gafà

Alleged Viber chats between Khalid Ibrahim Ben Nasan and Neville Gafà.

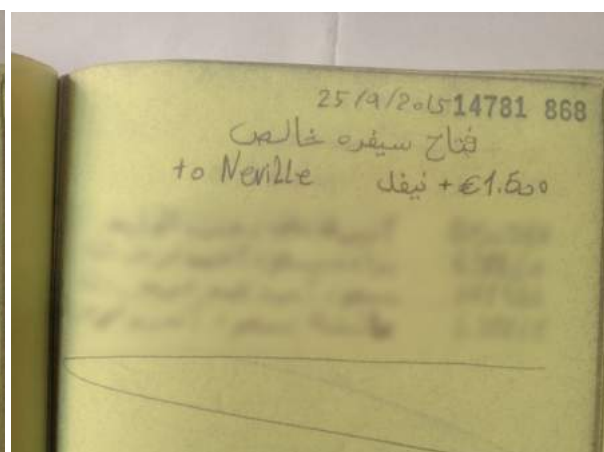
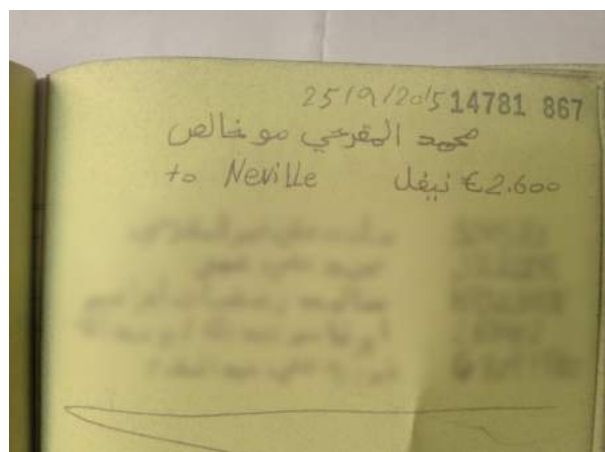
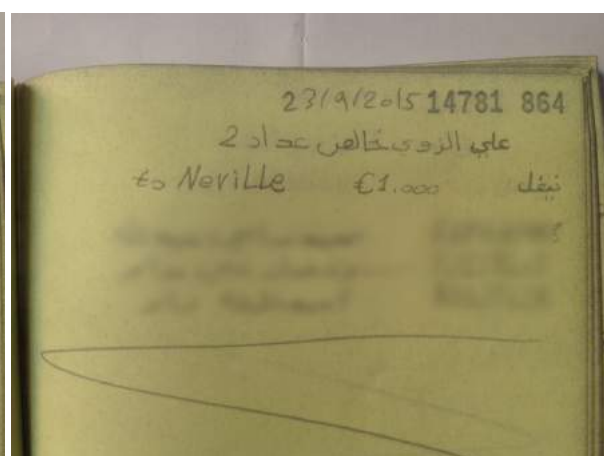
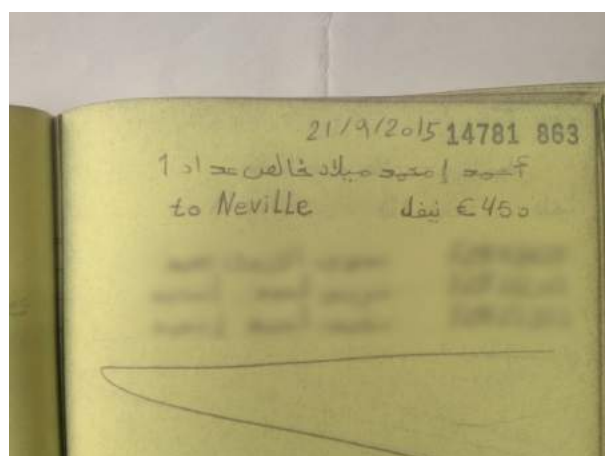
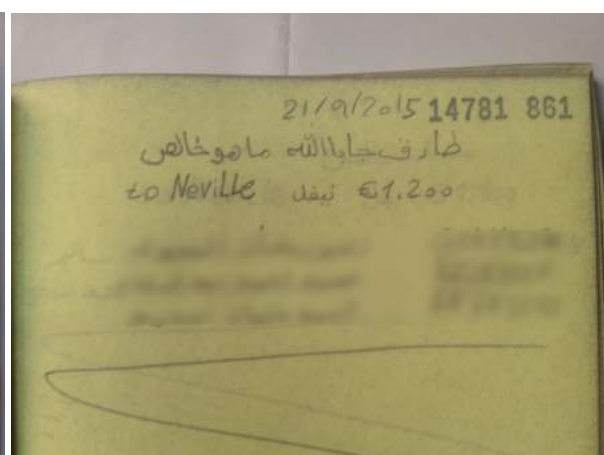
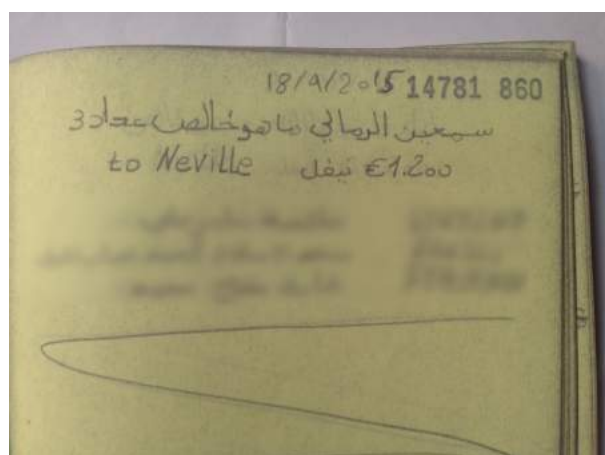
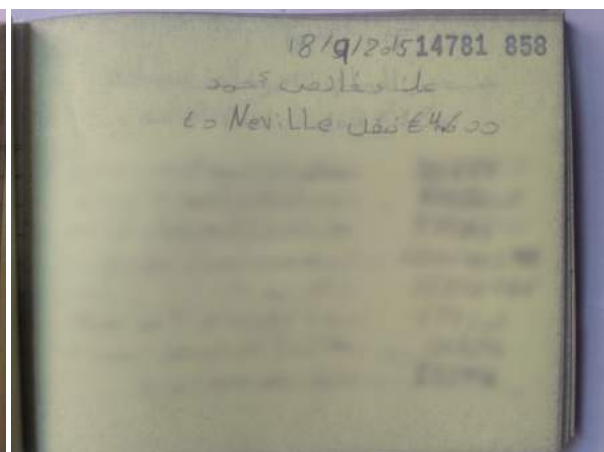
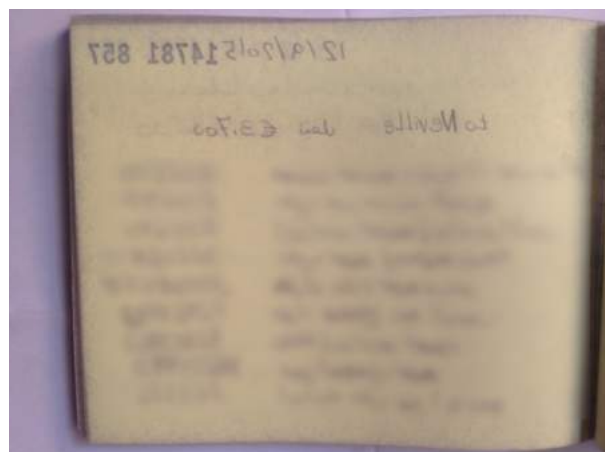


## Appendix 4 – Receipts of alleged illicit payments for visas

Pictures of some of the receipts of allegedly illicit payments from Khalid Ibrahim Ben Nasan to Neville Gafà, including dates, names & passport numbers. Redacted to protect the individuals concerned.







26/9/2015 14781 869  
نسيب أحمد عجيل  
to Neville نفيل £700

26/9/2015 14781 870  
نسيب أحمد عجيل  
to Neville نفيل

29/9/2015 14781 871  
نسيب أحمد عجيل  
to Neville نفيل £500

29/9/2015 14781 872  
نسيب أحمد عجيل  
to Neville Le نفيل £2,400

2/10/2015 14781 873  
نسيب أحمد عجيل  
to Neville نفيل £3,200

2/10/2015 14781 875  
حوت صديقي  
to Neville نفيل £400

5/10/2015 14781 877  
من شعبان  
Neville نفيل £1,000

5/10/2015 14781 878  
to Neville نفيل £700

Witnesses willing to testify that Neville Gafà asked them for money and/or that Neville Gafà stopped the Libyan Deputy Prime Minister, Libyan Minister of Health and official delegation from coming to Malta to hold official meetings in this regard. All have been knowingly and freely interviewed, recorded and their interviews have been transcribed. Both recordings and transcripts will be presented in court.

Ali S Gamati



Osama Mohammed Zaidi



Abdulhakim S.A. Mreshigh



دولة ليبيا STATE OF LIBYA		رقم جواز Passport No.
جنس Sex	تاريخ الميلاد Date of Birth	تاريخ انتهاء Date of Expiry
1. <b>NAME</b> NABEJ ELJIDI DUN	2. <b>DATE OF BIRTH</b> 20 04 1983	3. <b>DATE OF EXPIRY</b> 07 04 2023
4. <b>PLACE OF BIRTH</b> ZUWARAH	5. <b>SIGNATURE OF TRAVELER</b> 	6. <b>STAMP</b> 
7. <b>PHOTOGRAPH</b> 	8. <b>STAMP</b> 	9. <b>STAMP</b> 

## Appendix 6 – Transcript of the Interview with the Witness Serraj Essa

Transcript of Ivan Grech Mintoff (IGM) interview with the witness Mr Serraj Adden Sasi Essa (SE) who is a general working in the international co-operation department in the office of the United Nation recognised Libyan Prime Minister. A copy of Mr Serraj Essa's ID-card can be found in appendix 5. The persons mentioned in the interview are Mr Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan(KI) and Mr Neville Gafà (NG). For clarity some additional explanations are given in brackets. The transcript also gives line numbers to ease reference.

### **Transcript of Interview with the Serraj Essa**

1. SE: Hello?
2. IGM: Hi is this Serraj please?
3. SE: Hi Mr Mintoff how are you?
4. IGM: how are you? I'm very good, very good. Yourself?
5. SE: Ya, I'm very good too.
6. IGM: OK. Can I have, Can I have two minutes of your time please? Can I... I need to ask you some questions about the Libyan visa thing... the scandal that we are talking about.
7. SE: Yes
8. IGM: Is it OK for me to ... OK can I record this conversation? Is it OK?
9. SE: OK.
10. ....
11. IGM: Can I ask you what your job is with the Libyan government, so that I can then ask you some more questions?
12. SE: Yes, I'm working in the international corporation department, in the, with the Prime Minister.
13. IGM: So, you are working in the Prime Minister's office – Prime Minister of Libya, yes?
14. SE: Prime Ministry of Libya, head quarter and I am working in the international corporation department.
15. IGM: Perfect, perfect. Can I ask you if you have had any contact at all with Maltese government or the embassy or whatever with regards to the Libyan visas to Malta?
16. SE: In the beginning we starting in... after 2011, I think 2012, we starting here with the ambassador Maltese, Maltese...
17. IGM: OK
18. SE: He is Maltese ambassador in Libya, in Tripoli...
19. IGM: OK
20. SE: ...and in that time, that time we agree with him and he is, he is help us for the treatment of people and we get the visa from Tripoli. After, when the, the, the embassy it's closed, the urgent people we, we start to get the visa from Malta, by, the, from the health ministry, in the health ministry, yes. It give us the agreement and people he get the visa in the airport.
21. IGM: Who were you contacting in the health ministry, please?
22. SE: (unintelligible) In the beginning Mr Khaled [Khaled Ibrahim], he, he is, he, he have this relation between here and there. After that, with Mr.... then the Health Minister Of Libyan, She is Fatima Al Hamrush at that time... 2012. [S]He is contact the Maltese Minister for the health and it is agreed with him to send these people to Malta and they get the visa in the airport.
23. IGM: OK



24. SE: And also ... yes.
25. IGM: Yes, go ahead... And also?
26. SE: And also, she, she its agreed in that time with him to work directly, no?
27. IGM: OK, but there was a contact. There was a contact. In, who, who would the contact from the Maltese side be for the visas to be issued?
28. SE: This in 2012. After, I think in the...I think in the 2014, or the end of 2013, it's starting to, to, who is give us the agreement for to get the visa and we send to him the list, the name of the people who is need the visa...Mr Neville, Neville, I think. He is, this man, his is work in the Maltese health ministry.
29. IGM: OK, so you are talking about Neville Gafà, is this correct?
30. SE: Yes, Neville Gafà, yes.
31. IGM: So.
32. SE: ...and, and this man I meet him twice, twice time, and after that one time I am in Malta, in that time I am in the Malta and I go to him office with Mr Khaled in that time we have twenty-two person urgent we need to, to send him in Malta to get the treatment...and we talk about, with him, and he say he is need one seven five...he is need one ...
33. IGM: ...*bil Gharbi...bil Gharbi...* [translated:"In Arabic... In Arabic"]
34. SE: ...one million seven hundred fifty, yes, Euro, and he send a plane to bring them and he give him the visa in the, in airport.
35. IGM: Wait, wait...
36. SE: At that time we were not...
37. IGM: Let me ask you again. Let me, let me, just make sure...Neville Gafà asked you for one million...
38. SE: ...yes...
39. IGM: ... seven hundred thousand...what...Euro, or...?
40. SE: One, one, one, one million seven hundred fifty thousand Euro.
41. IGM: Euro? To send a plane?
42. SE: Yeah. This is, this is, it's the [unintelligible] fee for twenty-two person.
43. IGM: For twenty-two persons he asked you for 1.7 million Euro? Do you, do you...
44. SE: One million. One million seven hundred fifty thousand...
45. IGM: OK, OK...and do you know...
46. SE: ...Euro...
47. IGM: ...what was this money for? Do you know what it was for?
48. SE: No, because that time he, he need to send him from Tripoli and after that he, he send a plane to get these people to Malta.
49. IGM: For twenty-two people?
50. SE: So...for twenty-two people, yes. And uh...we are...I talk...we're talking about...because...we... we have agreement with the...the Malta government to send the people free – that it's free.
51. IGM: So, let me, let me...
52. SE: ...and that time he said...
53. IGM: ...let me, let me confirm what you are saying. I know that there was an...there was an agreement between the Libyan government and the Maltese government under Prime Minister Lawrence Gonzi that the people...



54. SE: yeah, yeah
55. IGM: ...would be sent for treatment from Libya to Malta for free. I...I know this...this agreement is in place. But Gafà in 2013-2014...is this correct(?)...was asking you for one million seven hundred and fifty thousand Euro for the treatment...
56. SE: Not, not...not 2013-2014. 2014-2015.
57. IGM: OK. 2014-2015 Neville Gafà was asking for one million seven hundred and fifty thousand Euro for the treatment of twenty-two people, yes?
58. SE: Yes. And the plane it's including.
59. IGM: ...and including the plane. Do you know what this money was for? Was it for treatment, or was it for visas, or what?
60. SE: This is for all. He need with visa and with treatment and with the plane.
61. IGM: OK. Then what happened? Did, did uh...
62. SE: I ask him the treatment...uh...the Maltese government we agree with them that it's free. It's free. In that case we...we...we leave him and we go back to him second day (or after two days or three days), ask with Mr Khaled and, uh, Mr Khaled he talk with the secretary - we need the, the, to give us the copy of the passport what we given to him.
63. IGM: Of the people?
64. SE: ...and we don't sa-...yes. I get this back – the document for the people...and...uh...we leave...we left him, you know?
65. IGM: OK. And...
66. SE: Yes, that's, that's what. Yes. After that, after that we came back to Tripoli, OK?
67. IGM: OK.
68. SE: And we talk with uh... the first of primer ministry [Deputy Prime Minister], because that...in that time he is also the ministry of the health....
69. IGM: OK.
70. SE: ...and we talking, we talking about his visit to Malta with the delegates (small delegation) and we going there to meet the health minister in Malta and we see what about – what happened, what...
71. IGM: ...why they are asking for 1.7 - one million seven hundred and fifty thousand....(?)
72. SE: For all. For the money and for the visa and for air. Everything. Because in that, in that time Mr Neville he stop it the visa. He don't give for the people, visa.
73. IGM: So, Mr Neville stopped...
74. SE: [unintelligible]
75. IGM:... stopped the visas totally for medical reasons?
76. SE: Yes, in that time he stopped it, yes.
77. IGM: OK.
78. SE: So...and I talk with the minister and we contact him by phone and I ask him our minister for health ministry he is need to visit Malta, and we write a letter – we write to him the letter from minister to minister.
79. IGM: OK... So, let me –
80. SE: In that case –
81. IGM: Yes. Go ahead.

82. SE: In that case he talk with Khaled and Khaled he asked me ...Khaled called me...and he asked me that 'Mr Neville – he need to change the letter from our ministry to him directly because the health ministry of Malta – the health ministry...maybe he's not in, he's abroad, or I don't know or he's busy or something like that.
83. IGM: OK. Let me, let me -
84. SE: We change it –
85. IGM: Let me stop a second. I want to confirm a few things. When you talk about Khaled, you mean Khaled Ibrahim , yes?
86. SE: Khaled Ibrahim, yes, because –
87. IGM: OK, just to confirm –
88. SE: Khaled Ibrahim – his cooperation between us and him.
89. IGM: So, you, the Libyan authority appointed Khaled Ibrahim is the person to talk on their behalf, yes?
90. SE: No... Yes! Because we need some... when we need some things we talk to Khaled and Khaled he contact the Maltese side...
91. IGM: OK.
92. SE: inside, and also when...
93. IGM: So, the –
94. SE: ...Maltese side is needs something it informs him and he call us and uh...
95. IGM: Clear. Clear. And, so, the minister – the Libyan minister of health - wrote to the Maltese minister of health requiring a meeting to discuss this issue and...
96. SE: Yes.
97. IGM: ...Gafà told Khaled Ibrahim that you must write to him, instead. Is this correct?
98. SE: Yes. And also we write to him, really....
99. IGM: So you write to him?
100. SE: We change the letter. We change the letter. We write to him because we need to go to sort this thing.
101. IGM: Of course, of course, of course. And then what happened?
102. SE: And...yes...and whenever he say "OK"... and also we sent to him the copy of the...the copy of the...ticket (plane), and we informed him, "the delegation - where he get the visa – in Tunisia or in the airport?". He said "No, you get it from Tunisia."
103. IGM: OK, I have seen this letter.
104. SE: And...
105. IGM: I, I confirm. I confirm this letter exists. I have seen it.
106. SE: You see it?
107. IGM: Yes, yes, I have seen it – with the names of the people including the... all the delegation with passport numbers, written to Neville Gafà have seen your tickets that you bough, as well. So, I confirm their existence. And then what happened?
108. SE: After that, I talk with the minister and he's go with the four-person delegation. I'm not with him. I'm not going with him – the other people – because true, it's technical, health technical and 2) it's finance...uh...
109. IGM: Yes.

110. SE: ...finance...department.
111. IGM: OK.
112. SE: Because it's need to go there...to go there...to talking about the medical and about the treatment and about everything and also we need to see the [unintelligible], because we sent the money there and we don't know what happened, you know? Because we sent the money. We sent two million, or something like that, and we sent in that time. Because we haven't any way to solve this because we have people there and we need to see, again, the money.
113. IGM: OK. Clear.
114. SE: And the delegation – its go to Malta and Mr Neville, it's close him mobile, no answering. Mobile, two mobiles, it's closed.
115. IGM: So, so -
116. SE: And -
117. IGM: Wait, wait, wait, wait. To clarify... So, the delegation went to Tunisia, waiting for the...
118. SE: Yes.
119. IGM: ...for the visas, and Neville Gafà – his mobiles, his two mobiles – are closed. Is this what you are saying?
120. SE: Yes, because in that time he say to give the visa in the airport.
121. IGM: OK. OK.
122. SE: In the Tunisian airport. It's mean, it's mean he sent it to...in the airport and we get it in the airport. Before we leave, maybe it's a letter or something, I don't know. And the delegation –it's go to Tunisia and it will be there and [they] call... me two times and, you know, Mr Neville, him mobile it's closed, and I contact him from Tripoli twice and he don't...it's closed. [unintelligible] closed.
123. IGM: OK. So –
124. SE: [unintelligible]
125. IGM: So, in spite, in spite Neville Gafà knows that there is a delegation from the minister of heath in Tunisia...
126. SE: Yes [unintelligible]
127. IGM: ...waiting for their, their...and he didn't even answer.
128. SE: Yes, he's know it because we talking with him in that time an also the people who was working with the ministry and who...some...one of them he's go with him, he sent to him email, yeah? He called me, I asked him sent to him email, and he sent it to him email.
129. IGM: Even emails? So, emails and mobiles – there was no response?
130. SE: Yes.
131. IGM: OK.
132. SE: After that the delegation...the delegation stayed in Tunis two days and it came back.
133. IGM: To Libya?
134. SE: Minister he came back.
135. IGM: OK.
136. SE: To Libya, yes.
137. IGM: Did you have any other contact with, with Gafà, Neville Gafà?

138. SE: No. One time I think, uh, we go with Khaled and he's need to get from him the... He gave it to him the passport for the people and he's need the visa that time, his visa, yes. And, uh, when we went to him office we meet the secretary and, it's, she say 'OK, wait for five minutes or ten minutes' and it's go to him to bring the envelope. Here envelope, all the passport inside and he don't give the people visa, and also when Khaled he talk with her he ask her "where the money?", She asked him "OK. He'll tell you 'OK'. He'll contact you after that"....
139. IGM: So he -
140. SE: ...and we leave [unintelligible]
141. IGM: So, so, so, so, just to confirm... In the envelope, Neville Gafà was given the passports, was given money, you say, uh, and...when...
142. SE: Without money.
143. IGM: Without money.
144. SE: No, uh, he give it to him the money, yeah? But when he take back he don't give him the money back.
145. IGM: OK, so, you gave Neville Gafà, or Khaled gave Neville Gafà envelopes with passports and money and whatever paperwork was required, but he only returned... he only returned the passports in the envelope but no money. Is this correct? And no visa...
146. SE: Yes, yes, yes.
147. IGM: Is this correct?
148. SE: Yeah
149. IGM: Do you know why the money was needed? What was the money for? Would you know? I'm asking. I don't know.
150. SE: No. Uh, what kind of money or, what, uh, how many, or how much, like that?
151. IGM: Well, I'm asking, what was the money for, do you think? What, why was money being asked for something if it was meant to be free?
152. SE: I don't know because, I, uh, I think he get the visa by money.
153. IGM: So, you think he was asking for money for the visas, yes?
154. SE: Yes, he get the money for the visas, yes.
155. IGM: And...
156. SE: Because he don't give the visa free; he take the money for visa, yeah.
157. IGM: So let us... give me...in the...can you remember, just for an example, in the envelope how many passports were there? One, two, three, five...? Roughly.
158. SE: More, more, no, no, more. Maybe ten or fifteen passports or something like that because I see...
159. IGM: Ten or fifteen passport. And do you know how much money...
160. SE: [unintelligible] perhaps some more...
161. IGM: ...how much money should have been given back?
162. SE: No, no, exactly, no, I, I don't know how much exactly.
163. IGM: OK, OK, you don't know if it was, uh, hundred euro or...nothing.
164. SE: No, I don't know... Ah no, for the each one?
165. IGM: Roughly...
166. SE: For the one passport?



167. IGM: For the one passport how much was being asked, do you know?
168. SE: I, talk in that time with Khaled and I asked him 'how much did you give it to him?'. He said, 'uh, from five, uh, some of them from five hundred, six hundred', like this, between, between five hundred, six hundred.
169. IGM: Per passport?
170. SE: Some of them by five...four hundred, some four hundred some of them by six hundred.
171. IGM: OK, OK. And if you are asked...you know there is a court case going on, yes, about this? If you are asked to come as a witness to what you have just told me, you are happy to come to say what you have just told me, to the judge?
172. SE: Why not? Yes
173. IGM: Excellent. OK.
174. SE: Also, also in that time, I give to Khaled my...because in that time I opened a company there and we get the residence one year, in 2015.
175. IGM: OK...
176. SE: You know? And when we renew my residence, I been in the immigration and I finish everything and we give it to Khaled I ask him, maybe, his help us give it to him. After that, we get the answer back – 'refused' from immigration.
177. IGM: Do you know why it was refused? So, so, so, let me understand... you had permission, before, to come to Malta and you wanted renewal of this permission, yes?
178. SE: No, in that time I been in Malta and I get the residence one year in Malta by my company.
179. IGM: OK...
180. SE: Because I do the company there.
181. IGM: OK.
182. SE: After, when we, when the residence is finish, I been in the immigration and we need to renew one year...
183. IGM: Renew. OK.
184. SE: ...and we...yes. We bring all of the document – what it's need for the immigration. And we pay. And we wait. After that we give it my blue paper to Mr Khaled. He ask me he give it to him, maybe he's...quick, because he know many people in the immigration.
185. IGM: Yes.
186. SE: After that I don't know. We refused. Give me the answer back after it's sent to me the letter that say 'refused'.
187. IGM: And you don't know why it was refused?
188. SE: I don't know. I -
189. IGM: Because –
190. SE: Khaled... ask him. Maybe he asked me. Maybe he's do it or something. I don't know, really. I don't know. I don't know what happened.
191. IGM: Can I ask a final question? How much, how much did you pay for renewal?
192. SE: The visa?
193. IGM: Yes.
194. SE: 250. For the...there, in the immigration I pay the [unintelligible] fee, you know?

195. IGM: Not to come in, for the, to the, uh...renewal of your residency permit?
196. SE: Yes, yes, I do everything in the immigration department.
197. IGM: In the immigration department OK OK
198. SE: Yes, but we give it to him
199. IGM: Yes, tell me
200. SE: But, we give it to him that the blue the blue paper to help us, To give us as soon as possible as soon as quick you know?
201. IGM: And it was refused. so first you are given one you ok so all your paperwork was correct to get one ...
202. SE: Yes, correct.
203. IGM: ...No problems to get one year
204. SE: They don't give us one month. He refused
205. IGM: OK
206. SE: And in the beginning they give us one year
207. IGM: So one year... you open a company here, you have residency here... and then renewal was refused. *Renewal* was refused.
208. SE: Yes. And, at that time... please... so excuse At that time we do a contract with Germany with a German company. And we start to work. And when they refused to me we lose his contract ... Maybe when we worked at contract maybe we make 2 or 3 million Euro
209. IGM: OK and you don't know why you are refused...
210. SE: Till now I do not know why, refused.

## Appendix 7 – Transcript of the Interview with the witness Ali Gamati

Transcript of Ivan Grech Mintoff (IGM) interview with the witness Mr Ali S Gamati (AJ) who is a senior police officer working on security issues. The interview was conducted via a translator (AJT). A copy of Mr Ali Gamati's ID-card can be found in appendix 5. The persons mentioned in the interview are Mr Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan(KI) and Mr Neville Gafà (NG). For clarity some additional explanations are given in brackets. The transcript also gives line numbers for ease of reference.

### **Transcript of Interview with Mr Ali Gamati**

1. AJT: Hello
2. IGM: Hi how are you?
3. AJT: I am fine Mr Ivan
4. IGM: Very clear
5. AJT: I am ready now. I will translate
6. IGM: Very good. Very good.
7. AJT: Nice place for connection
8. IGM: Excellent. Is Mr Ali Gamati with you?
9. AJT: Behind me Mr Ali
10. IGM: OK ...Hi Ali how are you? Hi Mr Ali how are you?
11. AJ: Afwan....Fine, fine thank you
12. IGM: Very good, very good. I am recording you OK? So that we have it recorded the whole conversation. Is this OK with you?
13. AJT: OK we are ready.
14. IGM: OK can Mr Ali tell us who he is and what his job is please?
15. AJT: Yes OK. Mystery Ivan... I translate now Ali for his job OK?
16. IGM: Yes
17. AJT: Ali now job in police station but now. But in manager.
18. IGM: OK
19. AJT: Hello?
20. IGM: Yes, I can hear you
21. AJT: OK. But Ali he have another job. For organisation (??)
22. IGM: Organisation of...?
23. AJT: (??)... Organisation for culture
24. IGM: For culture OK
25. AJT: Yeah
26. IGM: Tell me his connection with the Maltese government or the Maltese embassy or any connection with the Libyan visas.

27. AJT: Mister Ivan.... Ali now he tell me he have good relationship and connection with the government And we have good connect with the consulate for embassy Malta. He needs them by Mr Khaled .... Khaled Ibrahim
28. IGM: Khaled Ibrahim OK so Khaled Ibrahim was your contact here to connect
29. AJT: Yes. Yes we have good connect with Khaled Ibrahim
30. IGM: And Khaled Ibrahim was to contact with the Maltese government yes?
31. AJT: Khaled Ibrahim yeah yeah he have a contact with the Maltese government and make contact with him about people from Libya coming in Malta for health thing
32. IGM: Hello?
33. AJT: ... going in the hospital. Because we... like a same, free contract...relationship with our country.
34. IGM: OK so Khaled Ibrahim was...
35. AJT: Between Malta and Libya, yeah
36. IGM: OK so let me understand let me be, to make sure we are understanding. Khaled Ibrahim was your contact in Malta to bring people here for medical reasons. Is this correct?
37. AJT: Yeah, exactly.
38. IGM: OK. So, what would Khaled Ibrahim do on your behalf?
39. AJT:OK... Mister Ivan, Khalid Ibrahim like a small business OK? He make a small business But he have a good contact with the Libyan government and relationship for heads of Libya OK? He made a deal with the Maltese government he bring people from Libya from Tripoli from Misrata, from Ghirjani, from Benghazi to get free health thing in Maltese hospitals, OK? Khaled Ibrahim he make deal like being citizens for getting (??) from Malta to Libya
40. IGM: OK. Alright. So, he would be, so he would be contacted by yourselves or by people free hospitals in Malta, free hospital treatment in Malta. Did Mr Ali ever talk to anyone in Malta or in consulate or in Libya about these visas
41. AJT: OK I translate.... Mr Ivan in the last time (at first) Mr Ali opening with the consul in the Maltese embassy OK ...for six months...negotiation, negotiation but don't get anything now and close negotiation close everything.
42. IGM: So, let me see, let me understand. Ali for 6 months, for 6 months tried to get medical visa from the Libyan consulate, from the Maltese Consulate in Libya in Tripoli ...And he bought nothing for 6 months yes?
43. AJT: No nothing. Yes.
44. IGM: Then what happened? I need to know... I need to know in the past not now not the last 6 months ... In 2012/2013/2014... What was happening then? Did you go to the consulate for the medical visa or did you go to someone in Malta or how did it work?
45. AJT: Mr Ivan, in the last government Mr Ali Zidan President of government ...he have a deal with a president of Malta make deal like this but this deal will be stopped. Not active this deal. Khaled Ibrahim like a messenger from the government, they renew this deal. But, he no succeed on deal. He tried just tried.
46. IGM: But why did he not succeed? Do you know? What happened for it not to succeed?  
[Ali speaks in Arabic uses the words Ixahham u Neville]
47. IGM: Ali now tell you something wrong happened in medical visa. Medical visa not yet for people, for right people. He make black business.
48. IGM: OK, who?



49. AJT: Ali angry for this.
50. IGM: OK, who who? Who makes the black, the black business?
51. AJT: Ali don't know a lot this person. He is searching about this person. OK?
52. IGM: OK So, so... you said someone was making black money or black market... but who is this someone? Who is this someone? OK but I heard you or I heard him mention the name Neville. What was he meaning by the word Neville?
53. AJT: Neville he... like messenger like post from Maltese government about this deal but Ali not correctly think about Neville who make another deal. It's not him personal talk about him.
54. IGM: So, you think it's someone else not Neville is that it or do you think Neville did a bad deal?
55. AJT: Neville have a right deal but another one make another deal.  
(conversation between AJ & AJT in Arabic)
56. AJT: Ali talk about Neville, Neville he get a letter from the Libyan government to connect this deal. In the first Ali connect with Mr Neville.
57. IGM: So, Ali knows Mr Neville, he has connected with him.
58. AJT: Yeah, connected to ... Mr Neville, he have a letter from our government for this project.
59. IGM: OK and...?
60. AJT: And after some time cut connect Neville with Ali, I don't know why. He stopped the deal.
61. IGM: So, let me see if I am understanding you... Let me understand you properly. Ali was in contact with Mr Neville, about the Libyan visas yes?
62. AJT: Not signed a contract just connect
63. IGM: And Neville stop talking to Ali?
64. AJT: Neville stopped contact to Ali
65. IGM: Do you know why?
66. AJT: He don't know.
67. [AJ gets angry in Arabic and mentions flus - money in Arabic]
68. AJT: Neville... OK, OK, OK, OK, OK. Neville asked Ali... money
69. IGM: Wait let me understand. Let me understand. You are telling me if I am understanding correctly... Ally contacted Gafà directly to make a contract about the visas. Directly yes?
70. AJT: Yeah
71. IGM: And Neville asked Ali for money?
72. AJT: yeah
73. IGM: And then he stopped talking....
74. AJT: He tell me now...
75. IGM: And Ali told him no?
76. AJT: No, he tell me now
77. IGM: And then Gafà stopped talking to Ali, yes?
78. AJT: yes
79. IGM: When was this? When was this?
80. AJT: in 2015

81. IGM: 2015. OK, OK. Kemm saqsa flus? [Arabic for how much did he ask for?]
82. AJT: In the first he asked 3,015 per person another negotiation 3,000 Euro.
83. IGM: 3 elef jew 3 mijja ? [Arabic for 3000 or 300?]
84. AJT: 3 elef u 5 mijja [Arabic for 3500]
85. IGM: 3 elef u 5 mijja ghal kull visa... [Arabic for 3500 per visa]
86. AJT: Yes, but then... 3 elef [Arabic for 3000]
87. IGM: Imbghad nizel ghal 3 elef [Arabic for and then he went down to 3000]
88. U Ali qallu le... u taf ghalxix kienu dawn il flus? [Arabic for So Ali said no. And, do you know what this money was for?]
89. Ghalxiex dawn il flus? Taf? [Arabic for what was this money for do you know?]
90. AJT: Exactly!!  
[Arabic talk between Ali and translator]
91. AJT: hello...? Ali now told me he send someone, for a Ivan in Malta from Zawia his name Ahmed Bahar
92. IGM: Wait, wait.... to Ivan or Neville?
93. AJT: To Neville. He send someone Ahmed Bahar to Khaled Ibrahim and Neville, make meeting in Malta, negotiation about this money. And Mr Neville he says to Ahmed Bahar, in account, bank account he put three MILLION Euro in this account afterwards will be the start.

## Appendix 8 – Transcript of the Interview with witnesses Ali Alzintani, Osama Mohammed Zaidi, and Ali Mohammed Algool

Transcript of Ivan Grech Mintoff (IGM) interview with the witnesses Mr Ali Alintani (AZ) who use to be an official in charge of an airport VIP lounge and now works with the logistics for injured patients that need treatment in Europe for the Libyan Ministry of Health; Mr Osama Mohammed Zaidi, a patient who underwent medical intervention treatment in Malta; and, Mr Ali Mohammed Algool who is in charge of logistics for people injury from his region and works in Tobruk Parliament for Office of the Prime Minister. The interview was conducted via a translator (AZT) who speaks on their behalf. A copy of the witnesses ID-cards can be found in appendix 5.

The persons mentioned in the interview are Mr Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan(KI), Mr Neville Gafà (NG) and Al Mabrouk Garsala (MG). For clarity some additional explanations are given in brackets. The transcript also gives line numbers for ease of reference.

### **Transcript of the Interview with Ali Alzintani, Osama Mohammed Zaidi, and Ali Mohammed Algool**

1. AZT: Hello
2. IGM: Hi, Ali, how are you?
3. AZT: How are you doing?
4. IGM: Very good. I'm sorry it took so long to connect with you.
5. AZT: Yes, it is because the internet connection is very bad...
6. IGM: Yes...
7. AZT: You know the [unintelligible] here is very low
8. IGM: Yes, yes, listen...
9. AZT: Yes. By the way, I'm Ahmed, friend of Ali...
10. IGM: Ahh.
11. AZT: I'll try to translate what's the issues has been happen.
12. IGM: OK.
13. AZT: ...and I will do my best just put these bullet points for understanding.
14. IGM: And I need to record...OK? Is it of for you for me to record?
15. AZT: Yes, it is. Go ahead mate.
16. IGM: It is recording now at the moment.
17. AZT: And...uh...are you ready, mate?
18. IGM: Yes, we are.
19. AZT: OK, OK... Behind me there is Mr Ali and Mr Osama who has the issues. They been, you know injured were in Malta for treatment. Their problem...their problem to be very short, you know, their problem one guy, his name is Neville. You might hear from him.
20. IGM: Neville Gafà, yes?
21. AZT: Yes, it is. And there is another guy. There is another guy, his name is Al Mabrouk Garsala, you might know him.
22. IGM: OK. Al Mabrouk Garsala, uh huh...?

23. AZT: Uh, yes...they been, you know, asking for money from the guys, they been there for, you know, treatment. They been asking them just like the bribe for been staying there just like the visa.
24. IGM: So who-
25. AZT: ...but they didn't, uh, they didn't have the right to do so.
26. IGM: OK, let me tell you. Let me ask. Let me stop-
27. AZT:(unintelligible)
28. IGM: Let me stop you, please, it's important. Who asked money? Who asked money from who? Give me the names of who asked and from who.
29. AZT: OK. Mabrouk Garsala and Neville. They been asking Mr Osama...Mr Osama he can't talk, you know, English... [speaking in a foreign language in background].
30. IGM: Yes. I can hear him.
31. AZT: They've been asking...
32. IGM: I can hear...
33. AZT: been asking Ali as well...
34. IGM: OK. Ali who? Ali...?
35. AZT: Ali Algool. Ali Algool.
36. IGM: OK. I'm asking, to be precise, to be precise. This is why I'm asking.
37. IGM: So...
38. AZT: Yes...
39. IGM: ...Neville Gafà asked them personally? Or through somebody else?
40. AZT: One minute (talking in foreign language in background).
41. AZT: All right. They been though Al Mabrouk Garsala, you know? They...they couldn't speak English, these guys, they were there, in Malta.
42. IGM: OK. But I-
43. AZT: But Al Mabrouk Garsala, he just, you know, like translator between them, you know?
44. IGM: And they were present-
45. AZT: And so, so-
46. AZT: Let me ask. I'm sorry to interrupt because of the delay in the-
47. AZT: Go ahead, mate.
48. IGM: So, when the translator was asking on behalf of Gafà, they were also present. Is this correct? So, all three people were present in one room, if you wish. Is this correct? Not - I tell you, then you go away and you ask them somewhere else? This is what I want to establish.
49. AZT: Yes, it is. That's what's happened, I believe so.
50. IGM: Can you confirm please, it's important.
51. AZT: It is indeed.
52. IGM: OK.
53. AZT: I conform that.
54. IGM: So Gafà was in the same room as the people he was asking money from...? Is this correct?
55. AZT: It is, indeed.



56. IGM: How much did he ask them for?
57. AZT: [talking in a foreign language in background] From two thousand till two thousand five hundred.
58. IGM: OK, and what did he-
59. AZT: ...Euros
60. IGM: ...what did he ask this money for, please? It's important.
61. AZT: Is been asking that amount of money because they, you know, try to put these guys and give them the stay there, you know, just like, you know, work like home office, to give these guys a visa for stay there, you know?
62. IGM: So, was the money, was the money for the visa or was it or accommodation or something else? This is important.
63. AZT: OK, just a minute [talking in a foreign language in the background] Yes, not for accommodation, mate.
64. IGM: Not-
65. AZT: ...just for the visa.
66. IGM: Just-
67. AZT: [unintelligible] Yes.
68. IGM: This is very important, OK? Please, so, so,
69. AZT: Mmm Hmm.
70. IGM: ...you are confirming that he asked two thousand...Sorry, Neville Gafà asks for two thousand or two thousand five hundred just for the visa.
71. AZT: Yes, it is.
72. IGM: OK. Did he give you the visa? I'm asking.
73. AZT: [speaking in a foreign language in the background] Yes, mate.
74. IGM: OK. Are they willing to stay, to, to... I'm asking, there is a court case going on now, alright?
75. AZT: Mmm Hmm.
76. IGM: And...
77. AZT: Yeah...
78. IGM: Gafà is being challenged with these kind of statements. Not just from these two but from others as well, OK?
79. AZT: OK, alright.
80. IGM: Are they willing...
81. AZT: Yes.
82. IGM: ...are they willing to come to court to say 'this happened, this happened, this happened', or, are they willing to say it in front of a notary, or, a solicitor, and then it is sent here for the court case?
83. AZT: Alright, let me ask them. [speaking in a foreign language on the background] They willing to go to Malta and be in a court face-to-face.
84. IGM: Very good.
85. AZT: That's what they... yes
86. IGM: Very, very, very, good. There are others who will do the same as well by the way, OK?
87. AZT: OK. So that's... there would be one group in a court that would be...

88. IGM: Yes.
89. AZT: ...same the solution for this issue mate.
90. IGM: Yes, it is, because we have to solve this solution. We, we can't...I have
91. AZT: Yes, yes.
92. IGM: I have confirmation from the previous prime minister of Malta, Dr. Law-
93. AZT: OK
94. IGM: Lawrence Gonzi, who insists...
95. AZT: Mmm hmm.
96. IGM: ...insists that all treatment should have been free and nothing
97. AZT: It is.
98. IGM: ...should have been paid to visas or anything else, OK? So, we want to show-
99. AZT: Yes.
100. IGM: ...we want to show that what we have been saying is correct. Money was being asked by these people, that you are saying, for them to issue visas.
101. AZT: Mmm hmm. Yes, it is. That's what I know as far as I know, they, the treatment is free, you know, Europe.
102. IGM: OK.
103. AZT: So, there is another guy, his name is, with group, his name is Ahmed Fenir
104. IGM: Yes, OK.
105. AZT: Yes, they been talking from him around twenty thousand – twenty-five thousand Euro, just to give them a part from his hand, because his hand is being amputated. He is the group from Zintan.
106. IGM: OK. So, for him to have his hand back – his amputated hand they want money as well? Is this what you are saying?
107. AZT: Yes it is. They already took from him twenty-five thousand Euro.
108. IGM: No - explain this again for me please, for me to understand. Is he with you now?
109. AZT: They – No, no, he's not with me...
110. IGM: OK -
111. AZT: ... to be honest
112. IGM: Tell me again, then, please, again.
113. AZT: Yes, um...
114. IGM: [Ring tone in background] Tell me. Sorry, I apologize.
115. AZT: Yes. Another guy, his name is Ahmed Finneer.
116. IGM: Uh huh...?
117. AZT: ...who has his hand amputated, alright?
118. IGM: OK.
119. AZT: So, they, they put, you know, another, you know, hands, you know?
120. IGM: Yes.
121. AZT: Plastic hands

122. IGM: Artificial, yes.
123. AZT: Yes. It is indeed. So, Neville and Mabrouk Garsalla they been asking from him twenty-five thousand Euro and, you know, his family, they send these amount of money to, to Malta... I would say Mabrouk Garsala received this amount of money, you know?
124. IGM: OK. And, uh...do you know of anyone who asked for a visa and because they did not have the money they were not given a visa?
125. AZT: OK. That's...let me ask these guys. [talking in a foreign language in background]. Yeah, Mr Ali says we will ask some guys, you know, the other group...
126. IGM: Yes.
127. AZT: ...so, to see if there is somebody's been...
128. IGM: Yes please.
129. AZT: ...taking his money, or asking his money. [talking in a foreign language in background]. And uh, Mr Osama, Mr Osama he's been, you know, refused – his injury guy, he's been refused and kicked out from the airport...you know?
130. IGM: No. Tell me again please, this is important. So that I understand fully, I'm - I'm asking again so I hear it very clearly, that's all.
131. AZT: OK. Another group, he's with me, his name Osama –
132. IGM: He's with you there?
133. AZT: He's been, you know...
134. IGM: He's with you there?
135. AZT: Yes, it is.
136. IGM: Can I say hello to him please?
137. AZT: Yes...Yes?
138. IGM: Hi.
139. OSAMA: Hello. Hi
140. IGM: Hi. Can I, can I hear you?
141. OSAMA: Hi.
142. [unintelligible]
143. OSAMA: Yes.
144. IGM: OK, I'm hearing him. Tell me his story please.
145. AZT: Yeah, he's been, you know, injured. So he's been in the airport of Malta...
146. IGM: OK.
147. AZT: So, they kept him there about, you know...
148. [AZ speaking to OSAMA] – “how many days Osama...?”
149. [OSAMA speaking to AZ in a foreign language]
150. AZT: Yes, they didn't get him allowed to enter inside Malta and then they kicked him out because they been asking, you know, money...
151. IGM: So...
152. AZT: ...from him, if he don't have money you will not entered inside, you know...
153. IGM: Did he arrive...

154. AZT: In Malta

155. IGM: Did he arrive in Malta or was he still in Libya?

156. AZT: [Speaking in a foreign language in the background]

157. AZT: Yes, he, he, he arrived in Malta...

158. IGM: Alright...

159. AZT: ...and he stayed there...

160. IGM: Where?

161. AZT: ...one week till Mr -

162. IGM: In Malta? In Malta?

163. AZT: Yes. Till Mr Neville and Mabrouk came to him and asked him 'if you don't have money you should leave now'.

164. IGM: OK –

165. AZT: ...and then they give them – and kicked them out from Malta and he's... [speaking in a foreign language in background] ... and, and, he was, you know, already injured, you know?

166. IGM: Mela...

167. AZT: Not very well at that time

168. IGM: Mela, let me ask again. Let me clarify this point. He came to Malta. He went -

169. AZT: Yes.

170. IGM: ...he went to hospital. Is this correct? He was getting treatment. Is this correct?

171. AZT: Yes.

172. IGM: And after -

173. AZT: For just one week.

174. IGM: ... after a week they asked him for money...?

175. AZT: [speaking in a foreign language in background] Yes.

176. IGM: ...and because he did not pay the money, he was told to leave, yes?

177. AZT: Yes, indeed.

178. IGM: Two questions, please. Two questions. What was his –

179. AZT: Go ahead.

180. IGM: ...what was his injury, please?

181. AZT: He had, he has fragment in his legs and his arm, probably in his side of his stomach.

182. IGM: OK. And when he was injured, when he was in hospital, and they asked him to leave, was he cured or was he still ill?

183. AZT: No, he's still ill. He not recovered.

184. IGM: So, he was told to leave despite that he was ill. Even if he was ill, because he did not pay, he was asked to leave by...? By who was he asked to leave?

185. AZT: By Mr Mabrouk and Neville.

186. IGM: ...and Neville Gafà? Is this -

187. AZT: It is.

188. IGM: Is this correct?

189. AZT: Yes, it is.

190. IGM: OK. So, he had to leave Malta even though he was still injured? And he was in Malta already uh.... getting treatment.

191. AZT: Exactly.

192. IGM: Is he willing to come to court to say this?

193. AZT: Yeah – yes, he says he will come to face some in a good court.

194. IGM: Very good. Can I have this full name again, please, if possible?

195. AZT: Yes. [speaking in a foreign language in background] He will say his name.

196. IGM: Yes, please.

197. OSAMA: Osama Mohammed Zaidi

198. IGM: Grazzi Mohammed. Shukran – Shukran Mohammed.

199. AZT: (unintelligible)

200. IGM: Osama – Osama Mohammed.

201. AZT: Mohammed [unintelligible].

202. IGM: I have your passport, Osama, I know what you look like, I have seen your passport, so I know that you exist -

203. AZT: Yes.

204. IGM: ...and it will be a very good thing if you come to Malta and say these things in court.

205. AZT: Yes, he's willing to do that.

206. IGM: OK. Excellent.

207. AZT: and he's Mr Ali Al Algool as well, he's here with me.

208. IGM: Very good.

209. AZT: ...and he, he doing to him the same things.

210. IGM: If –

211. AZT: He's not, he's not injured. He was, you know, the leader of the group...

212. IGM: I know.

213. AZT: ...because he's well...

214. IGM: I know. I know.

215. AZT: ...so he can, you know...

216. IGM: He would –

217. AZT: Do things for...

218. IGM: He would, he would co-ord –

219. AZT: [unintelligible]

220. IGM: He would coordinate the whole thing, yes? He would make things happen for–

221. AZT: Yes.

222. IGM: ...the injured.

223. AZT: Yes.

224. IGM: OK. And –
225. AZT: Yes.
226. IGM: ...money was being asked from all of these people by Neville Gafà for the visas? This is important, just for – not for anything else?
227. AZT: Yes. Some of- but, but some of these guys, most of them, they've been asking for money for the visa.
228. IGM: OK.
229. AZT: And some of the other guys they've been asked them to leave because didn't have, you know, didn't pay their "accommodation", or pay their "statement" ....
230. IGM: OK.
231. AZT: Even, even Mr Ali Al Algool he was there, you know, with these guys, you know, like co-ordination and, you know, he's bringing stuff for the people who's been treated there and uh, so, they, they, you know, they, they, they're not letting him, you know, go back to, you know, Europe because he has, you know a cross because his visa's been running out and Mabrouk Garsala, he's, you know, uh, try, you know, he...he...just one minute... [speaking in a foreign language in the background]. Yes, when his visa's been running out for about, you know, ten days, Mabrouk Garsala came to the - with him to the airport and force him to, to sign some papers – they been written from the home office in English but he's English is not that good, so he signed that thing so... that the outcome was he can't enter Europe for five years.
232. IGM: Do – do you know what was on these papers?
233. AZT: Well I don't know. I didn't have a look for them.
234. IGM: Does he have a copy...
235. AZT: [unintelligible]
236. IGM: of these papers?
237. AZT: He says some guy, he's from [unintelligible], his name is Khaled Ibrahim, he has if all copies.
238. IGM: Khaled Ibrahim?
239. AZT: [asks another person in the background: 'unintelligible Ibrahim?'. [More speaking in the background in a foreign language]
240. AZT: Yes, Khaled Ibrahim...
241. IGM: Very good.
242. AZT: ...who, who, who saw these guys in the airport and everything. He knows too much for these problems.
243. IGM: OK, OK. I know him, I know him. Alright. So Khaled Ibrahim,
244. AZT: [unintelligible]
245. IGM: ...Khaled Ibrahim has the papers, in English, that...
246. AZT: Mmm hmm.
247. IGM: ...these people signed so they can't come to Europe for five years?
248. AZT: [speaking in a foreign language in the background] Mmm hmm. Mmm hmm.
249. AZT: He says, some of the papers, but the, uh, [unintelligible], he will send it to you, direct to you Viber, alright?
250. IGM: Yes please. Yes please.

251. AZT: Yes. [speaking in a foreign language in the background]. He says, he send it, uh, by Viber to Mr Khaled, but he, but he will send it to you as well-

252. IGM: Yes, please. Yes -

253. AZT: ...if you wish to receive it.

254. IGM: Yes, I do. I do. Any paperwork...

255. AZT: [unintelligible]

256. IGM: ...that you think I should have, I need to have. On-

257. AZT: OK.

258. IGM: ...on Viber, or Whatsapp, as you wish.

259. AZT: OK, OK, he will do so. He will do so.

260. IGM: Is there anything else that you, you can think of that we need to discuss and record, now? We have enough here.

261. AZT: Uh, let me ask.

262. IGM: But if there is anything else –

263. AZT: Let me ask-

264. IGM: ...they want to tell me...

265. AZT: OK, let me ask these guys, alright? [speaking in a foreign language in the background]

266. AZT: OK. That's, that's, that's all my, my friend.

267. IGM: Let me ask a final question. All these people-

268. AZT: OK.

269. IGM: ...all these people have met Neville Gafà? They know him? They have met him, yes?

270. AZT: Uh, let me ask them. [speaking in the background – 'Do you know Gafà, Mr Gafà?'. Continued speaking in a foreign language in the background].

271. IGM: They met-

272. AZT: They said...yes, that can recognize his face because he's been visiting them in the hospital.

273. IGM: And he asked them for money for visas?

274. AZT: It is indeed.

275. IGM: OK.

276. [speaking in a foreign language in the background]

277. IGM: OK.

278. AZT: By, by the translation of Mabrouk Garsala, you know?

279. IGM: But he tells, he tells Mabrouk Garsala and Mabrouk Garsala tells you, yes? Mhux Masu-

280. AZT: [unintelligible]

281. IGM: ...mhux Mabrouk, mhux Mabrouk Garsala tells you only. Is it-

282. AZT: No, no, no, that's-.

283. IGM: This is- this is important, OK? Because Gafà can say, Gafà can say 'I never said anything. It was, uh, Garsala who said this'.

284. AZT: Yeah, but Neville was talking and Garsala...

285. IGM: Translated.

286. AZT: ...was translating.

287. IGM: All right. OK.

288. AZT: To help these guys

289. IGM: Clear. Clear. Very good. That's what I want to hear.

290. AZT: Is it crystal clear?

291. IGM: It is very clear. And I thank you for this conversation...and

292. AZT: Any time, my friend Ivan. Any time.

293. IGM: Yes, yes. I'm trying to help these people because...and I, I think these things are very, very wrong things to happen to them. I apologize for them to happen, but we will fix these things, OK?

294. AZT: Yeah, thank you very much, indeed. That's kind of you, mate.

295. IGM: Please send them my best regards.

296. AZT: OK. Will do.

297. IGM: Thank you, eh? Thank you for now. Thank you very much. Good night to all.

298. AZT: [unintelligible]

299. IGM: Good night to all of you.

300. AZT: Bye bye for now. Bye bye.

301. IGM: Bye.

AZT: Bye. Bye.



## Appendix 9 – Letter from Neville Gafà's Legal adviser

Letter sent to The Malta Independent by Neville Gafà's legal adviser after the Independent reported on the story of the Libyan visa scam.



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Today the 25<sup>th</sup> August 2016

Attention : The Editor

Malta Independent

Dear Sir

I write in the name and on behalf of Mr. Neville Gafa, and this in reference to the article titled 'Government official was netting up to €150,000 a month in medical visas scam' which appeared on your newspaper on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2016, who wishes to avail himself of the Right of Reply afforded him at Law and therefore request that you publish, in line with the legal requirements the following.

*"With reference to the article titled 'Government official was netting up to €150,000 a month in medical visas scam' which appeared on your newspaper on Sunday the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2016, the person purportedly responsible for this article, David Lindsay is basing his story on unfounded allegations and outright lies and hiding behind alleged anonymous high ranking Libyan secret service officer.*

*From the outset I Neville Gafa deny any and all allegations of misconduct and or bribery this article alleges and deny that I have ever received any monies in any way or manner aside from my due government salary.*

*The Public has a right to know that the Maltese Government signed an MOU with the Libyan Authorities to help in providing medical assistance to persons injured in this conflict. The persons who were to be provided this service were to be identified by the Libyan authorities and cleared from their end, and subsequently reviewed by the local Secret Service, Police, Immigration and medical departments and services. The persons concerned were not requested to pay anything, not even the 66 euro visa fee which was waived by the Maltese Government. Only the accompanying family members were requested the visa fee. All other expenses as regard the patient were entered into a Government account as debt to be subsequently settled by the Libyan Authorities. No*

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*fees or charges were levied by myself or the respective departments for the vetting of the persons concerned.*

*The due diligence effected, included, and actually commenced from the Libyan secret service which therefore gives the lie to the source quoted by the journalist concerned.*

*The article gives the impression that Mr. Neville Gafa went to collect monies in Libya from injured persons, when if anything it is the alleged middleman, who had no legal or statutory rights to enter into these government to government negotiations, who results from the same article as having collected monies on the unfounded pretext of having Libyan or Maltese clearance.*

*As to the allegations that patients were not brought to Malta, let it be known that Malta has since provided some 600 medical services, some of them major and life threatening cases to those that have been filtered through the system. Some cases have been refused, in the usual tragic triage system, for the benefit of other cases and/or where the medical services requested could not be given.*

*What Mr. Gafa posts in his Facebook has been described as rabid by the said journalist indicating a clear political bias enhanced by the alleged comments included by Mr. Ivan Grech Mintoff who acted as interlocutor to the anonymous secret service source.*

*The lack of contact on the part of the journalist with Mr. Gafa for his comments give the article a one sided biased unfounded and downright libelous view so acute that it is regrettable for Mr. Gafa to have to reply and inform all that libel proceedings will be initiated in the coming days against the said David Lindsay, Simon Busuttil and all other persons, political or otherwise who participate in the spreading of such libelous unfounded allegations."*

**Best Regards**

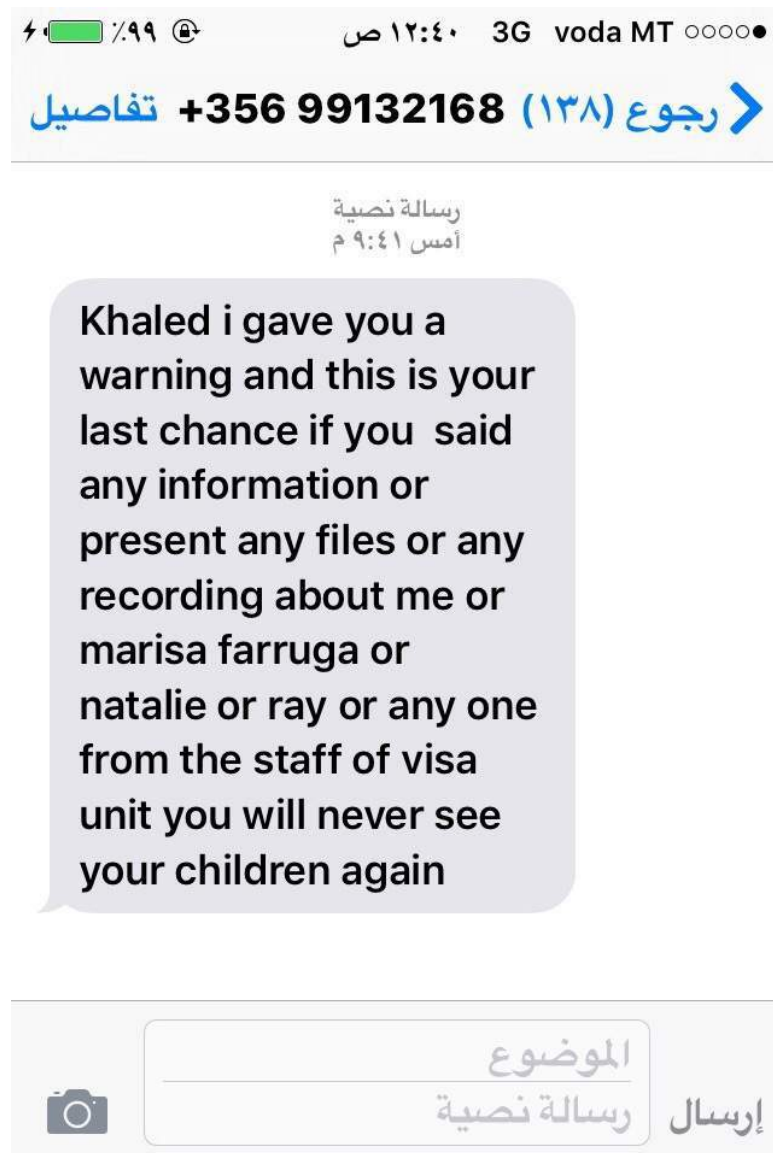


Peter Paul Zammit LP

## Appendix 10 – Threats directed against Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan

Threat received via a SMS message on Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan's mobile to stop him coming on Exodus programme and talking. The police should have no problem verifying the authenticity of these messages and perhaps even track sender. I have been informed that each message contains the technical data needed for the police to trace it.

First threat sent to Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan



Second threat sent to Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan

A report made to police after Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan received two threats after it was revealed that he would appear on Exodus TV programme and will be talking about the Libyan Visa scandal:

## CURRENT INCIDENT REPORT

District: REGION B Division: SAN GILJAN, SWIEQI, SAN GWANN Ref No: NPS 6A/N/6263/2016  
Printed By: [REDACTED] Date Printed: 31/08/2016 at 09:33

## INCIDENT RECORDING DETAILS

File No: [REDACTED] Report Time: 20:45  
Report Date: 30/08/2016 Incident Time from: 21:10  
Incident Date from: 29/08/2016 Incident Time to: 21:15  
Incident Date to: 29/08/2016 Report Status: INP - IN PREPARATION  
Incident Status: USLV - UNSOLVED

Officer entering report: [REDACTED] on: 30/08/2016 at: 20:53

## INCIDENT CLASSIFICATION

MISCELLANEOUS - INSULTS AND THREATS

## INCIDENT ADDRESS

Address: [REDACTED]  
Landmark: QUDDIEM RESIDENZA [REDACTED]

## OFFICERS INVOLVED WITH INCIDENT

Rank	Number	Name	Role	On Case	District	Division
INSP		[REDACTED]	DISTRICT OFFICER	YES	6A	N
WPS	304	[REDACTED]	DISTRICT OFFICER	YES	6A	N

## PERSON FILING REPORT 1

ID Card No.: [REDACTED]  
Passport No(s): LIBYA - [REDACTED] (DELETED)  
LIBYA - [REDACTED] (ACTIVE)  
Name: KHALED M. IBRAHIM  
Surname: BEN NASAN  
Gender: MALE  
Nationality: LIBYAN ARAB  
JAMAHIRIYA - 434.01  
Date of Birth: [REDACTED]  
Place of Birth: [REDACTED]

Name of Father:  
Surname of Father:  
Name of Mother:  
Mother's Maiden:  
Name of Spouse: [REDACTED]  
Surname of [REDACTED]

[https://nps.forceii.local/popup.aspx?page=report&rptName=g\\_fullIncident](https://nps.forceii.local/popup.aspx?page=report&rptName=g_fullIncident)

31/08/2016



UNKNOWN  
OFFICIAL RESIDENCE

WITNESS 1

ID Card No.: LIBYA - (DELETED)  
Passport No(s): LIBYA - (ACTIVE)  
Name: KHALED M. IBRAHIM  
Surname: BEN NASAN  
Gender: MALE  
Nationality: LIBYAN ARAB JAMAHIRIYA - 434.01  
Date of Birth: [REDACTED]  
Place of Birth: [REDACTED]  
Phone: [REDACTED]  
Address 1: UNKNOWN  
Residence Type: OFFICIAL RESIDENCE  
Address 2: [REDACTED]  
Witness comments: [REDACTED]  
N/A

NAME OF FATHER: [REDACTED]  
SURNAME OF FATHER: [REDACTED]  
NAME OF MOTHER: [REDACTED]  
MOTHER'S MAIDEN: [REDACTED]  
NAME OF SPOUSE: [REDACTED]  
SURNAME OF SPOUSE: [REDACTED]  
MOBILE: [REDACTED]

**ACTION TAKEN**

Nhar 30/08/2016 ghal habta ta' 20:45hrs, Mr Ben Nasan, li ddentifika ruhu b'dokument; bin-numru tar-referenza [REDACTED] u l-karta ta' l-identifikazzjoni [REDACTED] rapurta gawwa l-ghassa San Giljan. Huwa stqarr b'legh jaghmel rapport ta' theddid.

Huwa stqarr li danna l-incident gara nhar 29/08/2016 ghal habta ta' 21:10hrs, meta kien qiegħed quddiem il-bieb tar-residenza tiegħu. [REDACTED] Stqarr li rceiva telefonata fuq il-linja tal-mowbajl tiegħu [REDACTED] minn numru 'unknown', u l-persuna l-oħra tal-linja beda jkelmu bil-Malti u qallu dan id-diskors.

"Ha titia l-im tkalliem xi haga u ggib il-karti u l-video, il-fal tiegħek insijhom"

Il-kweralant wiegħu, "Xygifieri ninsijhom?", u l-persuna l-oħra wiegħu, "Alla jantrijhom". Il-kweralant rega saqsieh jekk dan il-kliem huwiex theddid, u l-persuna l-oħra wegħitu, "Ahsibha kif talsibha, qabel tasal id-dar, insa t-fal tiegħek".

Il-kweralant stqarr li tkalliem ma' l-avukat tiegħu, u gie mghoddi l-parit b'legh jaghmel rapport ufficjali mali-pulizija. Kompla jistqarr li l-programm fuq il-televixin kellu jair nhar 30/08/2016 fi 15hrs, u spicca l-programm cancellat u ma sarx.

Report was collected today 31st August 2016 by complaint.

Update by WPC331 02/09/2016 09:30HRS

Mr BEN NASAN, KHALED M. IBRAHIM - ID Card [REDACTED] reported at Swieqi Police Station that yesterday the 01/09/2016 at around 23:00hrs, he noticed that he had four(4) missed calls on his mobile phone number [REDACTED] which calls were made from mobile number [REDACTED]. Complainant tried to call this number but found the mobile to be switched off. He then realised he had also an SMS from mobile number [REDACTED] which was sent on the 01/09/2016 at 21:41hrs and which read:

"Khaled I gave you a warning and this is your last chance if you send any information or present any files or any recordings about me or mansa farruga or natalie or ray or anyone from the staff of visa unit you will never see your children again"

[https://nps.forceit.local/popup.aspx?page=report&rptName=g\\_fullIncident](https://nps.forceit.local/popup.aspx?page=report&rptName=g_fullIncident) 02/09/2016

Extracts from the police report:

#### "ACTION TAKEN

On 30/08/2016 at around 20:45, Mr Ben Nasan who identified himself with document reference [number redacted] and ID card number [number redacted] presented himself to San Giljan police station. He stated that he wanted to report threats that he had received.

He stated that this incident happened on 29/08/2016 at around 21:10 when he was outside his residency door, [address redacted]. He stated that he received a telephone call on his mobile number [number redacted] from an unknown number and the person on the other side started talking to him in Maltese and said the following:

"If you go today and say anything and you present papers or the video and you can forget your children"

The complainant replied, "What do you mean by forget them?" and the other person answered: "May God forgive them". The complainant asked again whether these words were a form of a threat and the other person replied "Think about it as you wish, before you arrive home, forget your children"

The complainant stated that he spoke to his lawyer and was advised to make an official report with the police. He added the TV programme had to take place on 30/08/2016 at 15:00 and ended up cancelled and did not take place,

The report was collected today 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016 by complainant.

*Update my WPC331 02/09/2016 9:30HRS*

Mr Ben Nasan, Khalid M. Ibrahim- ID card [number redacted] reported Swieqi Police Station that yesterday the 01/09/2016 at around 23:00hrs, he noticed he had four (4) missed calls on his mobile number [number redacted] which calls were made from mobile number XX. Complainant tried to call this number but found the mobile to be switched off. He then realised he had also an SMS from mobile number [number redacted] which was sent on the 01/09/2016 at 21:41 hrs and which read:

"Khaled I gave you a warning and this is your last chance if you send any information or present any files or any recordings about me or Marisa Farrugia or Natalie or Ray or anyone from the staff of visa unit you will never see your children again"

## Appendix 11 – Transcript of Exodus TV programme

Transcript of Exodus TV programme “The Libyan Visa Scandal” released on 10<sup>th</sup> of September 2016. This Exodus programme was air on TV because of threats received and was released on YouTube instead ([https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I\\_yriUgcw\\_M&t=2781s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I_yriUgcw_M&t=2781s)).

Name labels used in transcript:

Ivan = Ivan Grech Minto, the presenter of Exodus and the author of this report.

Khaled = Khalid M. Ibrahim Ben Nasan, the guest on the programme and whistle-blower.

### **Transcript of Exodus “The Libyan Visa Scandal” released on 10<sup>th</sup> of September 2016.**

1. Ivan: The Libyan visa scandal saga... continues. Tonight, we have with us Mr Khaled Ibrahim Ben Nassan
2. ....
3. Ivan: Where are you from?
4. Khaled: I am Libyan
5. Ivan: You are saying that you are Libyan
6. Khaled: Libyan yes
7. Ivan: I have to ask you so the those watching can understand clearly. You have your passport with you.
8. Khaled: Yes
9. Ivan: Can you show it to people following us here. This is a Libyan passport. It is not a Syrian passport. If you see, it says that he is a Libyan national, his father is Libyan. So it is not true that he is Syrian or that he is pretending to be something else. Are you in Malta in legal or illegal way because they are accusing you that you do not have a residency permit.
10. Khaled: No, I have everything in order just like any Maltese European person.
11. Ivan: You have the papers to show that you allowed to live live in Malta like others do.
12. Khaled: Yes
13. Ivan: how long have you been living in Malta?
14. Khaled: 16 years
15. Ivan: You've been in Malta for the last 16 years. I think that in these 16 years you have met several ministers, several prime ministers, several heads of state and several leaders of this country. No one had a problem to acknowledge you, for the work you've done, and we will speak later about this. But then suddenly, they are saying in the papers, in I-Orrizont or the web portal of I-Orizzont, that the Libyan secret service is after you because you stole a million Euro. I checked with them and they told me that it's not true. They are ready to come to Malta and state so themselves and say that this is another myth. Tell me what you think about this.
16. Khaled: Not true
17. Ivan: That you did not steal this million?
18. Khaled: The same people who stated so are willing to come to Malta and say thank you Malta and the Government of Malta for they help you gave to Libya.
19. Ivan: So, when you enter in this country, you entered legally or illegally?
20. Khaled: I enter and leave through the airport
21. Ivan: You enter just like others do in a legal manner. Everything is in order.

22. Khaled: Yes
23. Ivan: Is it true, as reported that you are running from home to another and trying to hide because someone is being looking for you as is being reported in newspapers like L-Orizzont and the Malta Today and other such things? Are these reports true?
24. Khaled: Not True. I have been living in the same house for 4 years and I never changed my house in these years.
25. Ivan: So, you have you been living in your current home for these past 4 years. Everyone knows who you are in your street. You are therefore not in hiding or running away. They also reported said that the threats you have received on the lives of your children.... They reported that this is untrue - you did not receive the calls. They reported that the police are stating you did not received SMS either. What can you tell us?
26. Khaled: The message is still on my phone...
27. Ivan: You are saying that these messages are on your phone.
28. Khaled: The messages and when they called me with the threats. The exact time....
29. Ivan: On the one hand we have the newspapers controlled by 'tghana lkoll' stating that you are Syrian, who has people follow you, that you invented all threats on your reputation and you are showing proof after proof: here is the my passport, See what nationality I have, here is the mobile, see what is written and that it is not true that I invented any of these things.
30. In politics who does not have anything to attack the actual message often attacks the credibility of the person instead. They make him out to be a liar, they throw mud at him and denigrate the person, with an ugly past, so that everything he says will therefore not be credible.
31. We have seen already what they are saying about you is not true because those things are truth, they lied, and it does not do honor to those who are to write these things. Let us see if what you are stating it is true or not. I ask the media, the press to not use people in this way as is happening in MaltaToday, such as is happening in l-Orizzont portal to throw mud at someone who is coming out with big scandals and instead of protecting him, he is being threatened with his children's lives and is not receiving the protection he deserves. We are inventing stories to assassinate his character instead. These things are very dark and ugly. Let us now come to the subject itself. From the information, which is largely derived from Libyan secret service and further backed up by all these ministers that we mentioned earlier. They told me that, as far as I know, you came into the scene when Maltese consulate [in Libya].... When you have a presence in a country there is also a consulate, another office where visas are issued where one issues other documents relating to your country. So, there is the Maltese embassy in Libya and there is the consulate. There was a time a few years ago where a revolt arose, people gathered to enter our consulate... no doubt, nobody heard anything about those things here, to smash things up, they entered with Kalashnikovs and entered with other weapons to rampage and we will hear why.
32. I heard that our Ambassador Mannie Galea is the person who contacted our guest this evening, he did not contact the Maltese government. Nor the Libyan government to see why these people wanted to go on a rampage in the Maltese consulate in Libya but they contacted you. This is true? The ambassador Mannie Galea contacted you when the Libyan people wanted smash up the Maltese consulate?
33. Khaled: He spoke and told me that I have a message from Government of Malta.
34. Ivan: The government of Malta got the Maltese ambassador to contact you regarding what was happening in the Maltese consulate. What was happening? There were 3,000 Libyan passports detained for more than 9 months. You mentioned a particular name.
35. Khaled: Marisa Farrugia.
36. Ivan: During Marisa Farrugia's time when she was working there, and these people after 9 months waiting for their visa so that the children of these people may come to Malta for health treatment



- and after 9 months of waiting, these people erupted against the Maltese consulate and so they - the Maltese government - called you to see how you can help the Maltese people in this regard.
37. Khaled: Mannie Galea the ambassador then spoke to me, I spoke to good people and we entered the Consulate and we calmed things down and fixed matters. We took out the passport and we stayed almost a month and a half, taking the Consulate workers, from their homes and to the Consulate and back again in the morning.
  38. Ivan: In the Consulate case then, of the Maltese offices, people entered to rampage because they had been waiting for 9 months for the visa on their (withheld) passports as they had sick children to be brought to Malta and for 9 months, 3000 passports were not issued a visa. Our friend who is with us in the program today is stating that it is the Maltese Government that asked him to go and stop these people from thrashing the consulate. They did not contact the Libyan government. They asked person who was living with us for 16 years ago, he was working here and all of them knew him. This person went there and not only stopped the uprising but also helped the Maltese staff so that they can go work out for many months after. On the consulate sags then and what exactly happened we are preparing a whole program because there is so much to say and go into. I am promising you from here to do so as this is a very important story. So, this person who is right next to me here, is not a frightening person as is being portrayed but someone who helped the Malta when asked to do so and who helped Maltese staff to carry on working in those premises. Khaled Ibrahim helped them and they know who help them then whether it was the Maltese government, the Libyan government or Khaled Ibrahim who helped to these people and I promise you that we will dedicate a full program and open up and we will see why those 3,000 passport were held back without a visa and why the sick were not tended to.
  39. Let us change the subject. We know that several Maltese been abducted in Libya, in circumstances which are not very clear. The first of these was Martin Galea had been kidnapped. When was abducted, as happened in Maltese consulate story, instead of contacting the governments/authorities (of Libya), again they contacted Khaled Ibrahim and asked for your help. Is this, which was reported to me by the secret service, in fact true? Did they (Maltese Govt) contact you?
  40. Khaled: Yes, Ambassador Mannie Galea called me so that I would help.
  41. Ivan: Mannie Galea called you to help and save a Maltese life. You seemed to have a very important role with this government that whenever something happens they call you for your help and you called certain people....
  42. Khaled: Yes, they phoned me around 9.30pm, Ambassador Mannie Galea and he told me that that my help was needed because of a person being held and I told him to give me a call so that I may help him whenever it was needed.
  43. Ivan: You have offered to help the Maltese government.
  44. Khaled: Yes. HE sent me the telephone number and at midnight we were checking for his whereabouts.
  45. Ivan: With your help, how long did your contacts in Libya take to get Martin Galea released.
  46. Khaled: He called me at 9:30 pm and at noon he was in my hands.
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  48. Ivan: less than a day, the Maltese government called you and in less than a day you were able to save the life of a Maltese person through your contacts. People who were involved on the other side (Libya), the secret service provided me with their contacts. I have spoken to very people in the military who helped in rescue of Martin Galea. And they are very angry Maltese government, seriously angry that they asked me themselves to also come on this program and explain many things to the Maltese people who know nothing about what really happened.... if there was any monies paid and which disappeared. We need to explore this subject so that the Maltese people will understand what happened. I have already applied for these person, who wanted to come here

and explain to all Maltese people, a person who is a High-Ranking Officer. I have applied for them to issue him with a visa to be able to come here and speak to you so that you may see that things are not as explained Minister of Foreign affairs who praised certain people instead of other people instead. It's very complicated subject but in the future, we will dedicate a program on the real rescuers of various Maltese and share what really happened from the people who were directly involved.

49. In this program then we have so far mentioned the medical visas, but the story is much more complicated. The medical visas is only part of whole story. We prepared this program, so that we can talk together with whistle-blower to give you an idea of how much bigger the real story is, such that we will have to slit into many programmes in order to talk about each subject and to present the evidence, witnesses, videos, tape recordings and all other things relating to each subject.
50. When we talked on such a person, this person is the person they tried to portray, we spoke about the Maltese consulate where Libyans wanted to smash it up, where there were Maltese personnel and Khaled Ibrahim helped rescue these people from harm. We spoke about rescuers of kidnapped Maltese.
51. There are many other subjects for example of how Libyans are applying for work permits, to come to Malta and do work just like they have done for many, long years. Here, some even have homes, businesses set up. Suddenly, these people are facing "resistance" to obtain that which they have to for years and which is now being refused. For some of them they had no option: if they cannot obtain a visa from the normal door/channel then they were forced to get it through the window. Do you agree with me about which I have just described? Is this presently true or not? Can you explain some cases to us?
52. Khaled: On the work visas. For example, a visa would be issued for the wife and husband But not for the children.
53. Ivan So whereas before people would enter and work and have homes and business, coming and going normally, for example, a person coming to Malta monthly and buying purchases of € 50,000 per month so that he may sell the fragrance back in Libya. Coming and going for years and suddenly he can no longer enter Malta without any valid reason given. You mentioned that families applying for a visa, a man and a woman are given it but not the children. What would children have the right for a visa if the parents have been given permission to enter? In this area, there were many businessmen showing us paperwork and telling us that they applied normally and regularly, just as they always did before and whereas I could enter before, now I cannot for some unknown reason. It appears that there is now a new culture where instead of coming through the door, you go round the corner, pay something and you obtain your visa. We will also do a full programme on the issue of business permits.
54. Many names are being mentioned and especially one that rotates around a specific person, a person of the Prime Minister's trust. One from the tghana lkoll (gang). We shall see if it is true that there is a new system in Malta if you are a businessman want to apply for a visa, you are obliged to go through the window and not through the door. In this case that we are talking about, even Maltese lawyers spoke to me about this problem that they are facing. This is another issue that we must also talk about in depth: the work permit.
55. I can't not ask you, in this program, about the very story that started up this whole this whole issue. The story between you and Neville Gafà. We know that according to the media, all of this started when you tried to recover the money that people paid to obtain visas, according to you. In these passports and all things (paperwork), there was money which was asked for so that the visas may be issued. After months of running after him, the passports were returned with no visas and there was no money given back which these people had paid to get their visas. Is the story how I am describing or there is a different version?
56. Khaled: Anything on Neville Gafà, there is no problem between me and himself.
57. Ivan: You do not have a problem with Neville Gafà?

58. Khaled: No, neither with him, nor with either Maltese government or anyone else. I have been almost 3-years' working well between me and himself. But when stopped the airport visas, he told them that it is now necessary to present the passport, photos and physicians report and money. He put them in an envelope with around € 38,000 and almost a month and a half passed and there were people who in the meantime died (without treatment). He told me "sorry but the medical visas have stopped" and I told him at least give them back the money.
59. Ivan: The money passed (to him) and he just told "sorry but the medical visas have been stopped". Is that what we are saying?
60. Khaled: Yes
61. Ivan: Then?
62. Khaled: I told me to give me everything back and he sent me an envelope via the people at his office. When I opened it, I found everything OK but the money was not there. I spoke to him about the money. He would tell me "today"... "tomorrow". This is the problem that I had between myself and between this man.
63. Ivan: So the problem is that the money that people paid to take the medical visas... and then they were not issued with the medical visas have not been returned and there is around € 38,000 that is being mentioned.
64. Another problem, that once the door was opened, everyone seemed to come forward. The problem of visas for education. The Maltese government had created a system in collaboration with Libyan government where students wishing to study in Malta, in University, for English or whatever, could further their studies in Malta. I know, for example that there are students who were issued a visa for the first year, for the second year, for third and fourth but then for the fifth (final) year the visa for these students was not issued. We know other students and we have their paperwork at hand that if they need to be in Malta for a year, their visa is issued only for 9 months. One would return home for a holiday, come back in Malta to continue studying here, but is then prevented from entering Malta. There are reports that the Mukahija has been reported to Maltese government and that this problem exists. There are many students who are suffering because of this and so these students have an option to stop their studied or they have to pass through side-door by force to be able to continue. Do you agree with me that there is this problem? What is the problem as you see it?
65. Khaled: There were people who came knocking at my door asking for help. I have over 150-200 person who have faced such problems. They provide them with a one-year visa, they then have go back to Libya and then lose all that they has studied/learnt. They might be studying to become a doctor or to a lawyer.
66. Ivan: If you are studying for a doctor or to a lawyer. 150-200 would start such courses....
67. Khaled: They came to me at my the house when this problem arose.
68. Ivan: We have a problem in Malta where you have a right, via a Maltese government agreement. You may come to Malta to study and suddenly serious obstacles are being placed in front of hundreds. We shall be opening and showing particular cases so that you may understand what is happening.
69. We are always seeing the same thing: if you cannot enter through the door the you have no option but to pass through the window.
70. These things bring no honor to Malta's reputation.
71. Another subject is the visa unit. Many businessmen want to be here Malta and open Businesses, you are instrumental to businessmen with Maltese ministers who know you well – and not just one or two of them but several ministers. They know that you brought over big businessmen to Malta and for some reason these businessmen were not given (visas). Whereas they could have invested in our country, could have opened up factories, open businesses where Maltese could have been

- given work, yet for some reason, these businesses men who have met up with ministers and where ministers were very excited with all these projects, suddenly they go to visa unit and find a problem there as well. Do you with what I am saying about this?
72. Khaled: I agree with you and we encountered several problems regarding businessmen at visa unit too.
  73. Ivan: Libyan Businessmen who have entered Malta for many years and who spend hundreds of thousand per month. Is not it so?
  74. Khaled: Yes
  75. Ivan: Their passports are full of repeat visas with no problem to come in. Suddenly, these people are being stopped. They have always entered through ‘the door’ because they have always come through the door and suddenly have one option: to enter through the window (instead) or not to enter. I think we are agreeing on this.
  76. Khaled: Yes.
  77. Ivan: I am going to mention a name that in the near future people with evidence will come from abroad to show and there are also Maltese lawyers who also wish to speak up. People like Nathalie Muscat. There is tremendous evidence against these people. Spagnol is another name mentioned, I never met him this person. It seems like many people who applied to visa unit were treated in a most inappropriate way by this person. We will also have another programme on this person and we will invite him to be able to defend himself just as we will invite Nathalie Muscat so that she can face these people who are willing to talk about these things. I think that there is sufficient evidence because I saw it myself, that many very big businessmen that if they were to come to Malta, even this new university that people keep mentioning will be nothing in comparison. But for some reason these people are not being allowed to enter. Do you have anything to add on this subject?
  78. Khaled: Ryan Spagnol not from the visa unit. He works on ID Cards. This is a big problem and you can ask Libyans right here in Malta. They are supposed to be issued with a visa that lasts years but you are then given it after 10 months. You will only have two months remaining. They send you the husband's visa but not the wife's. And when you go to ask, they tell him to wait for the white paper. After two months, three months, four months is still does not arrive.
  79. Ivan: The problems that we will discuss regarding Nathalie Muscat have to do with visa unit and Ryan Spagnol. There are other problems regarding the ID card and would I come here before the cameras and speak in this way without having enough evidence to know that is what we are saying here would be true or not.
  80. The medical visas. we have already mentioned something about them. Apart from those several children who needed to be taken care of, but because their parents did not collect enough money enough. I have seen photos and visa applications. Children who, today, are blind because they were not afforded simple treatment. Other people who have died. I have people who want to to come to Malta to tell their stories, high up in the army. They have evidence at hand and will show that when they applied, because these paid they were issued a visa. All this will come out in the coming programs. Apart from the visas that these people needed for treatment, to live and there are those of them who died as they waited 7-8 days for someone just a visa and these were very urgent cases, there are even cases where people who were cared for Malta. The consultants told them to see them in a years times as they needed follow up, even these faced problems continue taking the required treatment. They entered Malta, had permission to enter Malta, then started taking treatment ergo the Maltese government found nothing wrong for them to enter Malta but not after a year when a consultancy follow-up was needed. Can you mention some cases?
  81. Khaled: We sent a helicopter for 3 of them from Tunisia. We placed then in St. James (hospital) of Zabbar. They were asked for almost € 85,000.

82. Ivan: € 85,000 to take treatment when there in (PM) Gonzi's time, there was an agreement between the Libyan government and the Maltese government that these people would not be asked for money. Now one is suddenly hear about € 85,000 being asked for.
83. Khaled: Money is not the problem. As long as they leave hospital on their feet. But when they went back and need to come after 4 months for more tests, but they were then not issued with visas....
84. Ivan: they were not given a visa for the follow-up care to further their treatment and Neville Gafà is that the only person in Malta who may issue these visas. No one else in Malta can issue these visas. Nobody is above this person. This is the only person in Malta who can issue the visas for all of Libya if it has to do with medical treatment. Nobody is above who can check whether good, diligent work is being carried out and the amount of people angry that I heard on the telephone wish to come to Malta and challenge this person on this program, but yet they are not issued with visas to come to Malta.... You have no idea how many of them there are.
85. With my own eyes I saw for myself an official letter showing that (Libyan) ministers wanted to come to Malta enquire about highly inflated bills. They asked for a meeting with the because appropriate visas were not issued. Let me actually be more precise with what I was told:
86. When the Libyan minister of health wrote to the Maltese minister of health at that time, and Neville Gafà found out about this letter, according to my source, Neville Gafà asked them to write to him instead of to the minister, because it was he who took care of the medical visa system in Malta. Five ministers wrote to him, from two different regions. Those five ministers. Neville Gafà had to issue their visas for them to come here to Malta so that they may see if the accounts are good in which case they will pay and if not, why are they so very exaggerated and they may see what can be arranged. Neville Gafà chose not to issue these ministers with the required visas to check what was happening in Malta and as a result, they are very angry. I know this because they spoke to me about it and wish to come on the program. Do you have something to add on this point?
87. Khaled: On a plot of minister. They wanted to come to talk with Maltese Health minister to thank him as well as the Maltese for all the help and to praise ambassador Mannie Galea for all the help he gave to Libya and when I spoke to Neville Gafà about this letter we wanted to send to the (Maltese) minister, he told me to tell them to remove the name of the minister and replace it with his name instead. I asked him what for? He told me "because I take care of the Libya file".
88. Ivan: You are confirming what I said from another angle.
89. Khaled: I talked to Libyan ministers and told them to write to Neville Gafà but they told me that normally a minister talks to another minister. I told them that this is the system in Malta and they told me that it is not a problem and they sent it. I have a copy and they sent it to Neville.
90. Ivan: You are confirming that these ministers wanted to come to Malta to see bills that they deemed exaggerated, they wanted to come to speak with the minister and to question why the figure on the bills are so much when they should approximately be so much... and Neville Gafà, instead of minister talking directly to another minister, took over and they had to speak to him instead is that what we are saying?
91. Khaled: When they wrote that letter
92. Ivan: I have seen that letter.
93. Khaled: Because of money, he told me so. He let them go go down Tunisia, Tunisia and I have a copy of the airline tickets. They went down to Tunisia and waited for a week. (Neville Gafà) then told me "Sorry Khaled because I cannot issue them with a visa".
94. Ivan: See whether I am understanding what you are saying clearly. Ministers wished to come to Malta to speak directly with our minister of health. A Minister of health, throughout the whole world speaks (to another minister of health).

Neville Gafà took over, told them no, you have to speak to me instead and not the minister. He asked them to go to Tunisia and they would be pick up his visas from Tunisia to come to Malta. The

ministers spent a week waiting for Neville Gafà to issue these visas so that they may - As is their right since they are being asked to pay the medical bills- come to Malta and yet these now infamous visas never materialised. They need to know why they are paying these bills and yet the visas not issued. I do not think the government of Malta way not aware especially as their was this first letter to the minister. I am sure it was aware of these ministers wish to come to Malta to check these things. But if the government did not know, then it means that something not good at all in the system. These ministers want to come here and to personally confirm these things and that means that we are not inventing any of this and if these things really happened then these are truly shameful things that someone actually stops ministers coming to our country in this way.

95. We are covering many subjects and we don't have much time left. The subject is very big and so it is impossible to bring out all the evidence all at once. There is so much evidence that it is impossible to bring it all out in a single program. So, I am promising you right here. On the consulate, we talk in more depth and will have a special program where we will bring out all the matters relating it. We will then give it to the press so that the press may ask the questions themselves.
96. Regarding the kidnapped Maltese, these stories need serious investigation too.
97. And we also mentioned education racket. Hundreds of students are not allowed to study. Instead of helping them study so that more students may choose to study in Malta instead, we are instead stopping them studying after 4-years in order to become a doctor or a lawyer or whatever.
98. There are the business visas. People wishing to come to Malta to invest are being Stopped from doing so. Businessmen coming and going or has a home in Malta or should spending thousands Malta. Putting thousands or millions into our economy today being stopped from passing through the regular gate.
99. You have the Neville Gafà case that surely will keep growing. You have the case of injured people needing to come in but instead are dying because we do not help them if they do not pay.
100. There are many stories greater than these. The biggest one for me is the one of Schengen visas. The abuse carried out in the issued of the Schengen visas... 80,000 visas issues in a year and four months from the Maltese embassy in Libya, surely the proper checks that had to be carried out. Surely one program is not enough on Schengen visas. In fact, this weekend we were in Europe we were told in very clear terms that that which happened regarding the Schengen visas was truly, very ugly.
101. We have arrived at the end of a program before we close I like to make an appeal. Firstly, I wish to thank the nationalist party side are now finally really helping so that this story is told to the full. I also thank those members of Labour even from within Castille (OPM) and the leadership of the Labour Party itself who have met with me and tell me clearly that they were just nor aware that such things were happening. I encourage them even more not only to come forward and complain but for them to come and join us, because we all believe that in truth neither the Labor Party nor the labour members do not do such things and so I ask them to have more courage and to therefore help us clean these things away which a dirtying Malta's name.
102. I also appeal to the newspapers. You know full well that it is not true (what is being said about) this person. He has the right to be Malta and how he has a right to be in Malta as he even has Refugee status in Malta - something which you can easily check. You cannot therefore throw him out of the country and I believe that there is a real threat on this person, there might be an attempt to throw him out as (you say) he is blacklisted, so he might be removed from Malta to be investigated abroad on the "millions that he stole". You have spoken much against this person. His family was threatened and you including his wife by stating that she was also involved in sinister things. His wife is in hospital abroad. Please stop embarrassing yourselves. If you have genuine evidence or facts do bring them out instead of attacking just this person or me. Attack the facts that we have put forward to the Maltese people. Over coming weeks, we will start producing all the evidence for each of these topics that we have touched upon today. I know that there are many people who are asking me to bring out all the evidence immediately. You can't just present the evidence in one lump sum as there is so much of it that you produce one and forget the other. So we will do

everything calmly, and in the right order and the evidence will all come out in sequence. After all this happens I have no doubt that we will be justified: either you will say that Ivan is totally crazy, is relying on empty words and not stating the truth. I think that in the coming weeks we will see who is telling the truth and who is not.

103. Before I conclude this program, I wish to thank you for patiently hearing us out. I promise you that there will be more there would be more. I wish now, to give the last word to Khaled Ibrahim who has my full respect that although he is human like us all and is therefore not perfect, but in this case what you are saying seems to be totally true. I believe it because it is backed by other sources. I give him the last word to close the program.
104. Khaled: The very first thing thank you, thank you very much to Malta, thank you to all the Maltese aid given to Libya and all casualties. From the beginning of the war till today.
105. I do not have any personal problem with any person not even Neville Gafà when he gave me the file back with the is missing money, I did not speak badly about him. Neither about him nor about his family and thank you very much to Ambassador Mannie Galea and his family because when war broke out, he took care of the wounded at the airport even until midnight. We will never forget that. Everyone in and out of Libya says thank you very much to him. Everyone knows my house people may come and knock any time for help.
106. Ivan: Let me just ask you one more thing before we close. Did you want to bring this government down? The exactly is your purpose behind all of this?
107. Khaled: We have much respect to the minister and even Prime Minister Muscat. I never spoke badly about them. I brought over businessmen and always praised Malta and the Malta government. And we don't have problems with all of them. Today I talk with businessmen in Libya and outside Libya and I would still bring them. Because we love Malta as if we are one family. Malta and Libya were always close.
108. Ivan: On behalf of Alleanza Bidla (Alliance for Change) I promise you to work so that the friendship between Malta and Libya will not keep being broken and abused but we will work hard to improve it. I ask our followers to keep following this program because more facts will be coming out and I also invite government and opposition to meet with us around a table so that rather than making things worse, we can work together to fix things on equal terms and we can also stop any more present damage to Malta.
109. Thank you for being with us.