

Suppliment tal-Gazzetta tal-Gvern ta' Malta, Nru. 19840, 1 ta' Awwissu, 2017

Taqsim A

MALTA

ATT Nru XXIV tal-2017

ATT maħruġ b'ligi mill-Parlament ta' Malta.

ACT No. XXIV of 2017

AN ACT enacted by the Parliament of Malta.

**ATT biex jemenda l-Att dwar iċ-
Ċittadinanza Maltija, Kap. 188.**

**AN ACT to amend the Maltese
Citizenship Act, Cap. 188.**

Naghti l-kunsens tiegħi.

(L.S.)

**MARIE-LOUISE
COLEIRO PRECA
President**

1 ta' Awwissu, 2017

ATT Nru XXIV tal-2017

ATT biex jemenda l-Att dwar iċ-Ċittadinanza Maltija, Kap. 188.

IL-PRESIDENT bil-parir u l-kunsens tal-Kamra tad-Deputati, imlaqqgħa f'dan il-Parlament, u bl-awtorità tal-istess, harget b'liġi dan li ġej:-

1. It-titolu fil-qosor ta' dan l-Att huwa l-Att tal-2017 li jemenda l-Att dwar iċ-Ċittadinanza Maltija, u dan l-Att għandu jinqara u jinftiehem haġa waħda mal-Att dwar iċ-Ċittadinanza Maltija, hawnhekk iżjed 'il quddiem imsejjaħ "l-Att prinċipali".

Titolu fil-qosor.

Kap. 188.

2. Is-subartikolu (9) tal-artikolu 10 tal-Att prinċipali għandu jiġi emendat kif ġej:

Emenda tal-artikolu 10 tal-Att prinċipali.

(a) fil-paragrafu (b) tiegħu, minflok il-kliem "taħt dan l-Att;" għandhom jidhlu l-kliem "taħt dan l-Att;"; u

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(b) minnufih wara l-paragrafu (b) tiegħu, kif emendat, għandu jżidded il-paragrafu ġdid li ġej:

"(ċ) lil frustier li jkun wettaq servizzi eċċezzjonali għar-Repubblika ta' Malta jew lill-umanità, jew li n-naturalizzazzjoni tiegħu hi ta' interess eċċezzjonali għar-Repubblika ta' Malta, u li jissodisfa l-htigiet preskritti taht dan l-Att. Għall-finijiet ta' dan il-paragrafu "eċċezzjonali" tfisser eċċellenti b'mod mhux normali jew manifestament superjuri fuq livell lokali, u tirreferi primarjament għal kontribuzzjonijiet magħmula minn xjenzjati, riċerkaturi, atleti, persuni fl-isports, artisti u persuni fil-qasam tal-kultura:".

Emenda tal-
artikolu 24 tal-
Att prinċipali.

3. Is-subartikolu (1) tal-artikolu 24 tal-Att prinċipali għandu jiġi emendat kif ġej:

(a) fil-paragrafu (i) tiegħu, minflok il-kliem "kif jista' jkun preskriti." għandhom jidhlu l-kliem "kif jista' jkun preskriti"; u

(b) minnufih wara l-paragrafu (i) tiegħu, kif emendat, għandu jżidded il-paragrafu ġdid li ġej:

"(j) sabiex jiġu preskritti l-htigiet għal, u l-amministrazzjoni ta', l-għoti ta' ċittadinanza taht l-artikolu 10(9)(ċ) u għall-għoti ta' ċertifikat ta' naturalizzazzjoni bħala ċittadin ta' Malta lil applikant li jissodisfa dawk il-htigiet li jistgħu jiġu preskritti.".

Mgħoddi mill-Kamra tad-Deputati fis-Seduta Nru 20 tad-19 ta' Lulju, 2017.

ANGLU FARRUGIA
Speaker

RAYMOND SCICLUNA
Skrivan tal-Kamra tad-Deputati

I assent.

(L.S.)

**MARIE-LOUISE
COLEIRO PRECA
President**

1st August, 2017

ACT No. XXIV of 2017

AN ACT to amend the Maltese Citizenship Act, Cap. 188.

BE IT ENACTED by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the House of Representatives, in this present Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. The short title of this Act is the Maltese Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2017, and this Act shall be read and construed as one with the Maltese Citizenship Act, hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act".

Short title.

Cap. 188.

2. Sub-article (9) of article 10 of the principal Act shall be amended as follows:

Amendment of article 10 of the principal Act.

(a) in paragraph (b) thereof, for the words "under this Act:" there shall be substituted the words "under this Act,"; and

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(b) immediately after paragraph (b) thereof, as amended, there shall be added the following new paragraph:

"(c) to an alien who has rendered exceptional services to the Republic of Malta or to humanity, or whose naturalisation is of exceptional interest to the Republic of Malta, and who satisfies the requirements prescribed under this Act. For the purposes of this paragraph "exceptional" means unusually excellent or manifestly superior at a local level, and refers primarily to contributions by scientists, researchers, athletes, sports people, artists and cultural performers:".

Amendment of
article 24 of the
principal Act.

3. Sub-article (1) of article 24 of the principal Act shall be amended as follows:

(a) in paragraph (i) thereof, for the words "as may be prescribed." there shall be substituted the words "as may be prescribed;"; and

(b) immediately after paragraph (i) thereof, as amended, there shall be added the following new paragraph:

"(j) for prescribing the requirements for and administration of the grant of citizenship under article 10(9)(c) and for the granting of a certificate of naturalisation as a citizen of Malta to an applicant meeting such requirements as may be prescribed.".

Passed by the House of Representatives at Sitting No. 20 of the 19
th July, 2017.

ANĠLU FARRUGIA
Speaker

RAYMOND SCICLUNA
Clerk of the House of Representatives

