

## Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB)

*As per the Equal Opportunities (Persons with Disability) Act I of 2000 Cap. 413 of the Laws of Malta*

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6th June 2019

Our Ref: MayTORB\_02

Mr. Joseph Caruana obo Permanent Secretary (Merger and Administration)  
Ministry for Finance  
158, Cavalier House  
Triq Zekka  
Valletta VLT 1511

PA/07934/18 – Valletta – To install lift in yard, minor internal alterations for improved accessibility.

On Friday 31st May 2019 the Test of Reasonableness Board (TORB) discussed a request for exemption received on the above indicated permit. Perit Christopher Mintoff, Mr. Jeffrey Scicluna and Ms. Vanessa Mangion were present on behalf of the applicant.

Exemption from CRPD's requirements as stated in Access Audit was requested due to site limitations of the historical building which is currently housing the Budget Office.

CRPD objected on the following non-conforming elements:

Ramps:

- Ramp not marked with Length, Width and Gradient

Internal Environment:

- Furniture layout appears to impede access; accessible internal route layout required
- Internal Door and Corridor Widths are not marked on the plans

Sanitary Facilities:

- Accessible Sanitary Facilities have not been provided

Refuge Areas:

- Refuge Areas have not been provided

The TORB could not make a decision due to insufficient information on plans. Applicant should update plans and re-apply for exemption if need be.



Rita Vella  
Chairperson  
Test of Reasonableness Board