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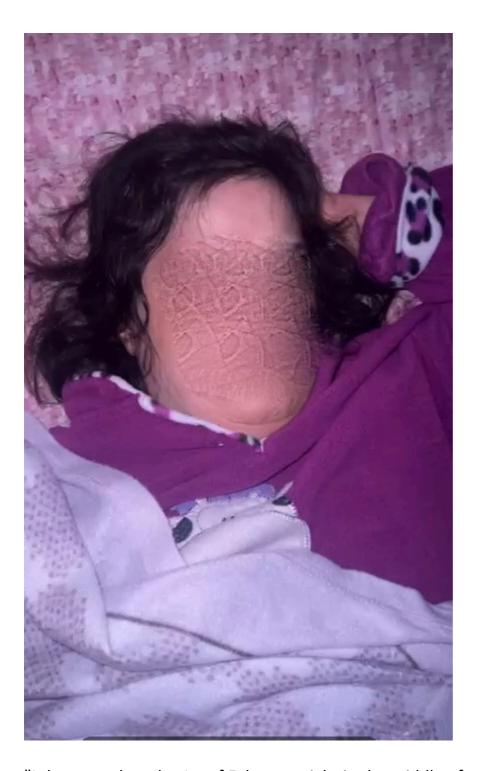
Dear Authorities,

First of all, I would like to warmly welcome back Ms. Rhoda Garland (CRPD), who is returning to work this Monday (today). I hope the time away offered you some well-deserved rest. You may find a considerable number of emails awaiting your attention, as we have continued to report urgent concerns that require your immediate action.

Today, I am bringing to your attention **Case No. 6**, which occurred on the evening of **1st February 2025**, during the transition of Wens Home. As you are aware, such transitions can be extremely distressing for the residents—many of whom consider the staff to be their family. In this case, the entire staff was replaced without warning, leaving the residents shocked and emotionally overwhelmed.

One resident in particular was seen crying and shouting, begging for the return of the staff she trusted and considered family. This distress was met, not with support, but allegedly with an excessive dose of medication intended to sedate her and make her sleep. In our view, this is a serious violation of her rights and raises strong concerns.

We have attached **photographic evidence**, and we are in possession of **full video footage** documenting this abuse .



"It happened on the 1st of February, right in the middle of winter — and yet, she was sweating a lot. They didn't leave her alone, not because they cared, but because they were afraid. Can we really call this love for these people?"

It is also important to note that the new team **refused to take a proper handover** from the old staff. One manager insisted that such a handover was necessary, but the response from the new team was clear: "You are finished here, we will speak with you on Monday." This was recorded.

I am attaching once again the **Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and the Optional Protocol**, in English, Maltese, and Easy-to-Read formats, for your convenience. Although we assume you already have these, we are resending them to avoid any delay.

We kindly ask you to **investigate this abuse thoroughly**:

- Who authorised the administration of excessive medication?
- Which doctor prescribed or approved it?
- Is this documented properly in the professional reports?

Given that two CRPD members sit on the Wens board, we trust that this information can be easily verified through proper channels.

Please let us know if any of the information we have provided is incorrect. We are open to learning and correction, but we are doing our best as a small, volunteer-run organisation to advocate for those who cannot speak for themselves.

This is just one of **many ongoing cases**, and we regret to inform you that complaints continue to reach us daily. Despite our limited resources, we are committed to ensuring that these vulnerable individuals are not left to suffer in silence.

Note: One important point to follow up on—please also look into how many new applications have been submitted for the **White Card**. I believe you're familiar with what the White Card is (a definition is provided below for reference). Could you kindly investigate this matter and share your findings with us? I would greatly appreciate any insights you can provide.

In Malta, the term "White Card" is commonly used to refer to the Control Card issued by the Drug Control Card Section of the Ministry for Health. This card is essential for patients who require prescriptions for narcotic or psychotropic medications or drugs, such as opioids or certain psychiatric drugs. It ensures that these substances are prescribed and dispensed under strict regulatory oversight

Lastly, and this is extremely important — as I have mentioned many times in previous emails — Dr. Silvio Grixti is willing to act as a witness. He has been the private medical doctor for many of these vulnerable disabled residents, and he possesses direct knowledge of their conditions and the challenges they face. His testimony could be vital in shedding light on the situation and advocating for justice and proper care.

Thank you once again, and welcome back Ms. Garland.

Warm regards,



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