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GOVERNMENT has scrapped former health minister Louis Deguara's plans to move cancer treatment from Boffa Hospital in Floriana to Zammit Clapp Hospital, and will instead build a new €24 million extension to Mater Dei instead.

The decision was announced by Parliamentary Secretary for Health Joe Cassar in Parliament last Friday, confirming revelations made by Opposi-



tion leader Joseph Muscat in his reply to the budget speech on Monday.

Finally spilling the beans about what had been kept under wraps by Gonzi's new Cabinet, Cassar said the decision had been taken after the election, although it was never made public before Muscat's speech.

"This was one of the first decisions we took since I joined the Social Policy Minister (John Dalli)," Cassar said, adding that every decision taken before was

being reconsidered.

"We had decided that every capital investment had to be reviewed to make sure that the decisions taken were taken responsibly and were financially sustainable," Cassar said, shedding doubts about the previous administrations which had taken 15 years to build Mater Dei Hospital and had sidelined the former health minister.

Cassar's statement also comes in the wake of a series of announcements by



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