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### *Slovenian Ambassador pays courtesy call on Speaker Farrugia*

The new Ambassador of the Republic of Slovenia Tomaž Kunstelj paid a courtesy visit to Speaker of the House of Representatives Anġlu Farrugia.

Speaker Farrugia said that relations between Malta and Slovenia have remained strong since they were established in July 1992. These relations have been consolidated by various high-level meetings, which include, *inter alia*, the recent state visits to Ljubljana by former President Coleiro Preca in February 2015 and to Malta by President Borut Pahor to attend the Arraiolos Meeting held in Malta in September 2017.

Speaker Farrugia noted that in 2018 there were 16 known Maltese residing in Slovenia, whereas, according to JobsPlus information, there are 143 Slovene workers registered in Malta.

The two dignitaries discussed issues of mutual interest, including trade and investment, with particular reference to pharmaceuticals. The Slovenian Presidency of the Council of the EU in 2021, the relations with the EU, and migration featured in the discussion.

The Ambassador of Slovenia was accompanied by Mr Gregor Frank, Minister Counsellor at the Embassy of the Republic of Slovenia in Rome.