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Ambassador of Bosnia-Herzegovina pays courtesy visit to the Speaker

Mr Slavko Matanović, new Ambassador of Bosnia-Herzegovina, has on Friday morning paid a courtesy visit to the Speaker of the House of Representatives Anġlu Farrugia.

Speaker Farrugia referred to the cordial relationship that have existed between the two countries following the establishment of diplomatic relations in October 1995. He recalled the humanitarian assistance extended by Malta to children and war casualties from Sarajevo in 1993. He noted that over 400 Bosnians are living and working in Malta, while a number of Maltese visit regularly Medjugorje and Mostar.

The Ambassador expanded on the situation in Bosnia-Herzegovina following the local elections held in October last year and said that, on Thursday, Zoran Tegeltija was appointed Chairman of the Council of Ministers of Bosnia-Herzegovina.

The two dignitaries discussed other issues of mutual interest, including cooperation between the two Parliaments through the reactivation of the parliamentary friendship groups.

The relations between Bosnia-Herzegovina and the European Union featured in the discussion, with Speaker Farrugia reiterating that Malta fully supports the aspirations of Bosnia-Herzegovina to join the European Union.

Mr Slavko Matanović was accompanied by Mr Aleksander Budiša.