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Austrian Ambassador pays farewell call on Speaker Farrugia

Mag. Andreas Stadler, Ambassador of the Federal Republic of Austria, has paid a farewell call on Speaker of the House of Representatives Anġlu Farrugia.

Speaker Farrugia expressed his appreciation to Ambassador Stadler for the hard work carried out during his tenure in office, whereby the excellent relations between Malta and Austria, established diplomatically in November 1966, were further strengthened. He referred to the various high-level visits which further enhanced these bilateral relations, including those by Bruno Kreisky and Heinz Fischer, former Federal Presidents of Austria, who had visited Malta in the past.

Ambassador Stadler recalled that both Malta and Austria are neutral and peace-loving countries, pro-Europe and non-military oriented.

Speaker Farrugia and Ambassador Stadler discussed parliamentary affairs, particularly the Fifth World Conference of Speakers of Parliament, which is due to be held in Vienna in September this year.

The two dignitaries spoke about other issues, including the recent greylisting of Malta by the FATF, with the Austrian Ambassador stating that Austria did its best to help Malta, and expressed the hope that Malta would quickly be taken out of the list.