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Speaker of the House of Representatives meets with Estonian Parliamentary Delegation

The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Anġlu Farrugia, today held an official meeting with a parliamentary delegation from the Republic of Estonia, composed of Toomas Kivimägi, Vice Speaker of the Parliament of Estonia, and Andre Hanimägi.

The meeting, which took place at the Maltese Parliament in Valletta, served as a platform to strengthen the longstanding friendship and bilateral relations between Malta and Estonia. Both sides reiterated their commitment to fostering closer ties and mutual cooperation across various fields, particularly in the area of parliamentary diplomacy.

Discussions focused on enhancing parliamentary cooperation between the respective institutions. Speaker Farrugia highlighted the importance of inter-parliamentary dialogue in promoting democratic values, transparency, and the rule of law. The delegations also exchanged views on best practices in legislative processes, digitalisation of parliamentary work, and public engagement.

A key point of discussion was Malta's current Chairmanship of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe. Speaker Anġlu Farrugia outlined Malta's priorities during its chairmanship, including the strengthening of human rights, democracy, and the rule of law across Europe. The Estonian delegation expressed their support and appreciation for Malta's efforts in this role, emphasising the importance of multilateral cooperation within the Council of Europe framework.

The meeting concluded with a mutual understanding of the need to continue building on the strong foundations of Malta-Estonia relations through increased dialogue, collaboration, and exchange at both the parliamentary and governmental levels.