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The Speaker of the House of Representatives meets the Ambassador of Nepal to Malta

Speaker of the House of Representatives of Malta, Anġlu Farrugia, welcomed Shanil Nepal, Ambassador of Nepal to the Republic of Malta, during an official meeting held at the Parliament of Malta in Valletta.

The meeting marked a significant occasion in the long-standing relationship between Malta and Nepal, which established diplomatic ties in 1983. Both parties reaffirmed their commitment to strengthening bilateral relations, underscoring the potential for deeper cooperation across various sectors.

Discussions focused on advancing bilateral diplomatic engagement, enhancing trade and economic relations, and expanding avenues for educational and cultural cooperation. Speaker Farrugia highlighted the importance of fostering people-to-people connections and welcomed opportunities for mutual investment in areas such as tourism, renewable energy, health, and education.

Speaker Anġlu Farrugia acknowledged Nepal's growing economic and environmental initiatives, including its roadmap toward 100% renewable energy by 2050, and expressed Malta's interest in exploring partnerships in green technology and vocational training.

Educational collaboration was also on the agenda, with both sides recognizing the value of academic exchange. Speaker Farrugia encouraged increased participation of Nepalese students in Maltese institutions, particularly in English-language and vocational programmes, and invited Nepal to participate in the 2026 Malta Arts Biennale to deepen cultural ties.

Regional and multilateral issues were also discussed, including Malta's continued support for a rules-based international order and the peaceful resolution of regional disputes. Speaker Farrugia expressed appreciation for Nepal's contributions to UN peacekeeping operations and reaffirmed Malta's dedication to global cooperation on counterterrorism and climate action.