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*Your Excellency,*

The sad news that the lives of President Lech Kaczyński, the First Lady and so many other Polish citizens, amongst whom Deputy Speakers of the Senate and the Sejm Krystyna Bochenek, Jerzy Szmajdziński and Krzysztof Putra, were so tragically ended last Saturday has filled us all with grief and sorrow.

During this time of affliction for all the Polish people, it is only our steadfast faith that can keep us united to mourn together, to pray together, to hope together. Through faith, we believe that death is not the end, but rather the beginning of a better life. Because of faith, we know that those who go before us will be able to rejoice in these happier moments forever.

As Speaker of the House of Representatives of Malta, I wish to convey heartfelt condolences to the families of all the victims of this consternating tragedy. In the same breath, Excellency, let me express our feelings of solidarity with the Polish people at this moment of deep national suffering.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Louis Galea', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Louis Galea