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Mr Speaker receives OSCE Secretary General

The Speaker of the House of Representatives, Parliament of Malta, Anglu Farrugia, has this afternoon received a courtesy visit by the Secretary General of the Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE) Lamberto Zannier.

The two dignitaries reiterated the excellent relations that exist between Malta and the OSCE. They highlighted the contribution which Malta has given to the Organisation throughout the years since the OSCE (previously CSCE) has been set up, particularly to the Mediterranean Chapter in the Helsinki Final Act of 1975. They referred to the importance of appointing an OSCE Special Representative for the Mediterranean in view of the recent events unfolding in the Southern region.

They also discussed other issues of mutual interest such as the problem of migration, terrorism and human rights.

Mr Zannier, who had been appointed Secretary General of the OSCE on 1st July 2011, was accompanied by Mr Emiliano Alessandri, Office of the Secretary General, External Co-operation Section. Also present was Malta's Ambassador to the OSCE, Keith Azzopardi.