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Speaker Anġlu Farrugia receives the Qatari ambassador

This morning the Speaker of the House of Representatives Anġlu Farrugia received a courtesy visit by the Ambassador of the State of Qatar to Malta, Ali Saad A. Al-Kharji.

The two dignitaries referred to the strong bilateral relations that exist between Malta and the State of Qatar, which relations had been established on 18th June 1975 and strengthened by frequent high-level exchanges, the most recent being the visit to Qatar by Prime Minister Joseph Muscat in order to attend the Doha Forum 2015.

During the meeting they discussed co-operation at parliamentary level and also highlighted the trade exchanges between the two countries, including the recent investment by one of the largest private companies in Qatar, the Al Faisal Holdings, which bought the majority shareholding in Banif Malta.

Malta's forthcoming Presidency of the Council of the European Union also featured in the discussions.

The Qatari Ambassador was accompanied by Ibraheim Nasser Al-Nesf, Second Secretary, Embassy of the State of Qatar.