



**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING ON
CONDUCTING OF BILATERAL CONSULTATIONS
BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS
OF THE STATE OF KUWAIT
AND
THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF
MALTA**

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the State of Kuwait and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Malta (hereinafter referred to as “the Parties”),

Desiring to promote the development of relations of friendship and cooperation in the political, economic and other fields between the two countries,

Abiding by the principle of mutual respect of each other’s sovereignty, independence and non-interference in each other’s internal affairs,

Convinced that consultations and exchange of information on bilateral, regional and international issues of common

interest to the Parties will contribute to the deepening of mutual understanding,

Guided by the 1961 Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations,

Have agreed as follows:

Article 1

1. The Parties shall regularly hold consultative meetings at senior official level to discuss modalities of expanding and deepening the cooperation for the development of bilateral relations as well as international issues of common interest.

2. The Parties may set up working groups or expert meetings on various issues in order to discuss specific areas of common interest.

Article 2

1. The consultative meetings may be held once every two years, or more frequently as deemed necessary, alternately in Kuwait City and Valletta or between the Permanent Missions in the United Nations and its specialized agencies and other international organizations or at international conferences.

2. In particular, Diplomatic Missions of the two countries stationed in the third countries shall consult and exchange information on the issues of mutual interest.

Article 3

Consultations shall in particular include the following:-

- a. Issues concerning the organization of co-operation in the political sphere;
- b. Issues on regional , inter-regional and international co-operation of common interest;
- c. Issues of common interest that are dealt with by international organizations of which both Sides are members.

In particular, bilateral consultations will focus on the situation in the Middle East region, the Gulf region, the Union for the Mediterranean and the dialogue between Europe and the Arab League.

Article 4

The Parties shall agree on the delegations, their ranks, specific dates, venue and agenda of the consultative meetings through diplomatic channels.

Article 5

The outcome of the consultative meetings shall not be made public unless otherwise agreed upon by the Parties.

Article 6

The Parties shall, within their competence, look for ways and means to further develop their relations in every field and on different levels.

Article 7

This Memorandum of Understanding may be amended upon mutual consent of the Parties in writing.

Article 8

Any dispute about the interpretation or application of this Memorandum of Understanding will be resolved by consultations between the parties.

Article 9

This Memorandum of Understanding shall enter into force on the date of its signature and shall remain in force for an

indefinite period of time, unless one of the parties notifies the other Party in writing of its intention to terminate it with three months prior notice.

Done in Kuwait City on 13 April 2010, corresponding to 28 Rabi II 1431H, in two original copies, in Arabic and English languages, both texts being equally authentic. In case of divergence in interpretation, the English text shall prevail.

FOR

**THE MINISTRY OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF
MALTA**



**Dr. Tonio Borg Deputy
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