

## JOINT COMMUNIQUÉ

### **On the Establishment of Diplomatic Relations Between the Commonwealth of The Bahamas and Malta**

The Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas and the Government of Malta, guided by the mutual willingness to develop friendly relations and cooperation between the two States in political, economic, cultural, humanitarian and other fields, have decided to establish diplomatic relations at the Ambassadorial level with effect from the date of the signature of the present Joint Communiqué.

The Parties to this agreement agree that their diplomatic relations will be founded on the principles and norms of the United Nations Charter and International Law.

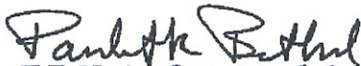
The Government of the Commonwealth of The Bahamas and the Government of Malta are fully convinced that the establishment of diplomatic relations corresponds to the interests of both States and will strengthen international peace and security.

The two Parties further agree that their diplomatic relations shall be guided by the provision of the Vienna Convention on Diplomatic Relations of 18 April 1961.

Signed in New York on 20 September 2004.

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