

PROTOCOL BETWEEN
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA AND
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF
CHINA ON THE PROVISION OF COMPLETE PROJECTS
AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BY CHINA TO MALTA

In pursuance of "the Agreement on A Long-Term And Interest-Free Loan by China to Malta" signed in Canton on April 8, 1972, the Government of the Republic of Malta and the Government of the People's Republic of China have, through friendly consultations, agreed as follows:-

Article I

In accordance with the needs of the Maltese Government, the Chinese Government shall provide the Maltese Government, under the loan as provided by the above-mentioned Agreement, with the following development projects:

1. Standard Parts Factory

Production capacity: 1,300-1,600 tons per annum

The Chinese side, when informed by the Maltese side of its decision to construct the factory, shall dispatch a designing and study team to work out with the Maltese side the details for the construction of the factory and sign the minutes of talks.

2. Welding Electrodes Factory

Both sides agree that the Chinese side shall dispatch a study group in the first quarter of 1978 to assess the feasibility of the said project. If it is found feasible after the study, the two sides shall conclude an agreement specifying the production capacity, variety of products, implementation schedule of the project and other details.

Article II

The methods and procedures regarding the defrayment and management of the local expenses necessary for implementing the above-mentioned projects shall be the same as those provided in the Letters (amendment) on the Payment of the Local Expenses by the Maltese Government, exchanged between the two Governments on July 4, 1975.

Article III

To construct the above-mentioned projects, China shall dispatch a necessary number of engineering and technical personnel to render technical guidance. The living allowances for the Chinese engineering and technical personnel during their assignment in Malta shall be defrayed by the Maltese Government at the present rate of seventy-three Maltese pounds per head per month. Should the prices in Malta fluctuate beyond ten percent, the above-mentioned rate shall be adjusted accordingly. Other terms and conditions for their service shall be the same as those provided in the Letters exchanged between the Maltese and Chinese Governments on December 19, 1972 concerning the Treatment and Working Conditions for the Chinese engineering and technical personnel and the Letters (amendment) exchanged between them on July 4, 1975 concerning the Payment of Local Expenses by the Maltese Government.

Article IV

The two Governments shall designate their respective institutions to work out the methods and procedures for delivery of equipment and materials by China to Malta and sign the necessary contract(s) for implementation.

Article V

This Protocol shall come into force on the date of signature and shall remain in force until both sides have fulfilled all their respective obligations hereunder.

Done in duplicate in Peking on November 6, 1977 in the English and Chinese languages, both texts being equally authentic.



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the Republic of Malta

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