



The Minister

The Minister

22nd February 2009

Ma Xiaohong

Vice Minister

Ministry of Commerce

People's Republic of China

Your Excellency,

On behalf of the Government of Malta, I have the honour to acknowledge the friendly sentiments that have been communicated to us in your letter, bearing today's date, which reads as follows:

"On behalf of the Government of the People's Republic of China, I have the honour to confirm that, in expression of the friendly sentiments of the Chinese Government and People towards the Maltese Government and people, the Government of the People's Republic of China shall extend to the Government of Malta a grant totalling Five Million RMB Yuan, in the form of execution of economic and technical co-operation project(s) agreed upon by both sides. Details relative to the use of this grant shall be agreed through separate discussions between competent authorities designated by the Chinese and Maltese Governments.

If Your Excellency would kindly confirm the above content by a letter of reply on behalf of the Government of Malta, this letter and Your Excellency's reply shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of Malta."

The present letter of reply done in Valletta and carrying the identical date, together with Your Excellency's letter, shall constitute an agreement between the Government of Malta and the Government of the People's Republic of China.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

Tonio Ferruck, M.P.

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Minister of Finance, the Economy and Investment

(Translation)

Valletta, February 22, 2009

The Hon. Dr. Tonio Fenech
Minister for Finance, the Economy and Investment
Valletta, Malta

Your Excellency,

On behalf of the Government of the People's Republic of China, I have the honour to confirm that, in expression of the friendly sentiments of the Chinese Government and People towards the Maltese Government and people, the Government of the People's Republic of China shall extend to the Government of Malta a grant totaling Five Million RMB Yuan, in the form of execution of economic and technical co-operation project(s) agreed upon by both sides. Details relative to the use of this grant shall be agreed through separate discussions between competent authorities designated by the Chinese and Maltese Governments.

If Your Excellency would kindly confirm the above content by a letter of reply on behalf of the Government of Malta, this letter and Your Excellency's reply shall constitute an agreement between the Government of the People's Republic of China and the Government of Malta.

Please accept, Your Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(Signed) Ma Xinhong
Vice Minister
Ministry of Commerce
People's Republic of China



I, **TONIO BORG**, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs of Malta,

HEREBY AUTHORIZE the Hon. Tonio Fenech, Minister of Finance, the Economy and Investment, to sign on behalf of the Government of Malta, the Exchange of Notes on the Grant (5 million RMB Yuan) to the Maltese Government by the Government of the People's Republic of China.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have signed and sealed these presents at Valletta, this *17th* day of *February*, Two Thousand and Nine.



Tonio Borg