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Speaker receives Chairperson of the CPA Executive Committee

Speaker of the House of Representatives, Anġlu Farrugia received a courtesy call by Emilia Monjowa Lifaka MP, Chairperson of the Executive Committee of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) and also Deputy Speaker of the National Assembly of Cameroon.

Speaker Farrugia elaborated on the various activities carried out by the Commonwealth Small Branches, of which he occupies the role of Chairperson. He mentioned, inter alia, the completion of the Steering Committee, the preparation of the Climate Change toolkit and the Small Branches Workshop. He also referred to the establishment of the Commonwealth Association of Public Accounts Committees and the CPA Recommended Benchmarks for Democratic Legislatures.

The Chairperson of the CPA Executive highlighted the pending issue of reviewing the legal status of the said Association from that of a charitable institution to that of an international organisation, adding that the CPA had submitted an application in this regard to the UK Government for a change of status. Speaker Farrugia said that the Maltese Parliament would support this change.

Lifaka was accompanied by Marie Rose Ada Owona epe Nguini Effa, Vice-Chairperson of the Committee on Cultural, Social and Family Affairs of the National Assembly of Cameroon.

Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives, Claudette Buttigieg and Ray Scicluna, Clerk of the House, were also present.