



THE PRIME MINISTER  
MALTA

14 September, 2012

*Dear Prime Minister,*

It gives me great pleasure to extend to you, on behalf of the Government and People of Malta, my warmest congratulations on your election as Prime Minister of Libya.

I am confident that with your outstanding credentials, you stand in a very good position to guide your country's future towards democratic and economic development.

Relations between Malta and Libya are at a very important juncture. Over the past months contacts have continued to flourish on both a ministerial and technical level, bearing in mind the interest of our peoples. I assure you that Malta remains keen on extending its support and assistance to the Libyan people as has been done over the past months.

I trust that during your tenure as Prime Minister of Libya, the warm ties of friendship and close relations that have been reinforced in the past months, will be further strengthened at both bilateral and regional levels, through the development of cooperation not only as close countries, but also as Mediterranean partners with the aim of achieving a common area of peace, stability and prosperity in the Mediterranean region.

I particularly value that you will be addressing youth employment and business opportunities by tapping into both the national and international private sector. In this respect, I would like to reiterate Malta's intention to continue to offer its unwavering support for your country's political transition.

Whilst wishing you every success in the challenging days ahead, I avail myself of this opportunity to renew to you the assurance of my highest consideration.

Lawrence Gonzi

H.E. Mr Mustafa Abushagur  
Prime Minister-elect of Libya