



Frans Timmermans
Vice President of the European Commission
European Commission
B-1049 Brussels, Belgium

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Dear First Vice President Timmermans,

The revelations in the last few days of reporting of the [“Daphne Project”](#) on the assassination of Daphne Caruana Galizia in Malta are damning and are cause for great concern.

In the mission report published 18th January last by the *ad hoc* Delegation on the rule of law in Malta we indicated that the Maltese Prime Minister’s Chief of Staff Keith Schembri and Tourism Minister Konrad Mizzi should be removed from public office, swiftly investigated and brought to justice on the basis of the evidence available at the time.

Not only has this not happened, but further evidence implicating Mr. Konrad Mizzi and Mr. Keith Schembri in serious financial crime has now been exposed by the Daphne Project.

It has also come to our attention that eye witnesses place Mr. Chris Cardona, the Minister for the Economy of Malta, in meetings with the persons charged with carrying out the assassination of Daphne Caruana Galizia before and after the murder. And inexplicably, the Maltese Police have confirmed with local media that neither Mr. Cardona nor any other politician has been interrogated as part of investigative process.

The complacency of the European Commission is not acceptable. In view of the above, the *ad hoc* Delegation on the rule of law in Malta requests an urgent meeting with you.

Sincerely,

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Chair of the *ad hoc* delegation