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Dear Professor Briguglio,

On behalf of the Malta Ministry for Infrastructure, Transport and Communications I wish to thank the Small States Network for Economic Development (SSNED) for providing funds in connection with the twinning project "Assistance in Public Transport Building of Regulatory Capacities at the Malta Transport Authority".

I am pleased to report that the twinning project has provided well-needed knowledge support in institutional building relating to the transfer of knowledge in the regulatory functions of Government with respect to public transport modes, gain experience of other, more efficient modes of public transport, currently not in place in Malta, identify and draw up the structure of a number of specific sectors within Government to support public transport, and develop a long term relationship between the two countries, namely Singapore and Malta, with respect to exchange of information and training requirements.

The project has also been conducive towards helping the Malta Transport Authority in implementing the reforms that are expected to take place in the Maltese public transport in the very near future.

I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate the Network for this very important initiative, which has enabled one small state to provide just-in-time assistance to another small state. We wish to thank also the service provided, namely the Land Transport Authority of Singapore, for assisting the local authorities in the above.

The Ministry looks forward to further collaboration with the SSNED.

Yours sincerely,



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