

AIDE MEMOIRE

The Government of the Republic of China appreciates the courtesy and friendliness extended to the Republic of China by inviting her representative to participate in the auspicious independence ceremony held in Malta in 1964, and the Malta's full support of China's position in the United Nations in the past two years. The many official and private visits by leading government officials and personalities of the two countries, and the official visit of the Honourable Minister Carmelo Caruana to China have greatly strengthened the friendly relations happily existing between the two countries.

As a result of the discussions held between Minister Caruana and Mr K.T. Li, Minister of Economic Affairs of the Republic of China, at Taipei, on matters of economic cooperation, the Chinese Government will dispatch a team of experts on public works to Malta as soon as possible.

The Chinese Government also decides to extend formal invitations to the Maltese Minister of Trade, Industry and Agriculture and his associate, the Minister of Labour, Employment and Welfare to visit the Republic of China. The two Maltese technicians who will go to Taiwan to familiarize the technique of mushroom-growing will be accorded courtesy and necessary facilities by the Chinese Government. In July, 1967, the Chinese Government has accepted the invitation of the Malta Government and will participate in the Fair of Malta.

As contact between the two peoples become more regular and frequent, and steps for economic cooperation are being taken, it is the sincere wish of the Chinese Government that formal diplomatic relations be entered into between the two countries. After formal relations are established, the Chinese Government will donate 9,000 tons of sugar to the Malta Government as a gesture of friendship to the people of Malta. Arrangements for the transportation of the said amount of sugar will be discussed between the Chinese Embassy in Valletta and the Malta Government.

Handed to Secretary, M.C.F.A. by Mr Wu, Chargé d'Affaires, Chinese Embassy, Rome, on 7th April, 1967.

The Republic of China and Malta, being equally desirous of further strengthening the friendly and cordial relations existing between the two peoples, have decided to establish formal diplomatic relations from April , 1967.

For the convenience of mutual contact and promotion of mutual cooperation, the Republic of China will establish her Embassy in the capital of Malta.

For the Republic of China

For Malta

Valletta, Malta
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