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Dear Attorney General

Daphne Caruana Galizia deceased

We refer to your letters dated 31 August and 5 October 2018.

It is important to the Caruana Galizia family that the terms of your October letter indicate that active consideration is being given to their call for a public inquiry. It appeared from Prime Minister Muscat's interview with the BBC on 22 September 2018 that he had closed his mind to this prospect.

The family remain firmly of the view that a public inquiry is necessary to ensure that the whole truth emerges surrounding the circumstances of Ms Caruana Galizia's assassination. To that end a considered response shall be provided to your letter of 5 October 2018 once the family has marked the anniversary of Ms Caruana Galizia's assassination.

For the avoidance of any doubt, the characterisation of our Opinion dated 9 August 2018 in your letter dated 31 August 2018 (fourth paragraph) is not accepted. It is noted that this mischaracterisation is not repeated in your October letter, which provides a better basis for the constructive dialogue that is necessary if the truth of this tragedy is to be told.

Yours faithfully

Bhatt Murphy

cc: H.E. Mr Joseph Cole, High Commissioner Designate for Malta

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