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**Attention: Ms. Caroline Muscat and Mr. Jurgen Balzan, The Shift News**

Dear Ms. Muscat and Mr. Balzan,

I write in reference to the article <http://theshiftnews.com/2017/12/20/henley-and-partners-involved-in-grenada-diplomatic-passports-scandal/> posted on your website on 20 December 2017.

We want to make it clear that Henley & Partners and the Government of Grenada have repeatedly and categorically denied any involvement in the purported attempt to obtain diplomatic passports from Grenada or indeed anywhere else. There is simply no basis for these false claims and the publication and re-publication of this fabricated story, along with suggestions that Henley & Partners is in some way connected to the barbaric and brutal murder of the Maltese blogger Daphne Caruana Galizia, are subject to review and further action by our lawyers in the USA and UK, where such defamatory and demonstrably false articles are actionable in court.

Besides which, it is very troubling to us and concerning to our legal advisors that you should decide to publish such an article without checking the facts including the latest developments in Malta itself. This would indicate a possible additional defamatory motivation as there is no evidence whatsoever of any kind of involvement of Henley & Partners.

I therefore request that you withdraw this story immediately. You ought to be aware that we regard the publication of any allegation implying that Henley & Partners as being connected to criminal activity, or that we are being investigated in relation to it, as being grossly defamatory. All rights in this regard are expressly reserved, without limitation.

If this article is not withdrawn, regrettably, we will have no choice but to consider appropriate next steps, including legal action.

We ask you to confirm by 13:00 on 22 December 2017 that this article has been removed in its entirety, including any related social media posts.

Yours sincerely,



Sarah Nicklin  
Group Head of Public Relations