

Your Excellencies, dear friends,

It is a great honour and privilege to greet you today at the lovely island of Malta that has so much history of chivalry and fighting for the good, the poor and downtrodden that it will serve as a shining example for generations and generations to come.

I greet you as the proud and humble president of East West Bridge, which includes today almost 1000 members from across the globe and all walks of life but all are experts in their own fields of Some of you are members and for that we are a better organization. What we and you have in common is the aspiration to make the world a better and safer place.

Today criminals make tens of billions a year in drug and human trafficking, arms smuggling, money laundering and we have not even scratched the surface of terrorism and countries, banks and individuals who support it. What all the above have in common is that they know no race, religious or creed barriers and cooperate fully across all borders. In order to fight that, law enforcement must do the same and become a universal brotherhood in sharing intelligence, information and operations. You are at the forefront of that fight for the basic right of mankind - the right to safety and security. You have the holy task to protect and to serve those who do not know how to or have the means to do that themselves, a star role in making the world a better place. Despite all the daunting obstacles you must forge ahead nonetheless.

In this you can count on the full support of my organization and all our sister organizations across the globe and remember: when tired, or injured the adage - when the going gets tough, the tough get going - that is you - ladies and gentlemen. For all that I salute you!

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