

**Report on the Knight Investiture
15th – 17th November 2007, Budapest / Hungary**

The Hungarian Grand Priory of the „Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, Knights of Malta, Federation of the Autonomous Pories” organised its 10th spectacular Knight Ceremony on the 16th November 2007 at the Royal Palace in Gödöllő / Hungary.

Prior to the Knight Investiture on the 15th November (Thursday) the Order organised an official meeting of the Grand Magisterial Council.

The forthcoming program was the “General Chapter of Knights and Postulants” – where Knights, Dames and the new Candidates participated together with their guests and it started at 6.00 PM.

His Most Eminent Highness Prince José Manuel Costa da Veiga COSMELLI – the Grand Master – Regent of the Knight Order greeted everybody and spoke a little about the history of Knighthood. Then he summarised the activity of the Government in the last months as well as the decisions of the Grand Magisterial Council and announced the program for the next year.

At 7.30 PM a special event was organised, the “Watch of the Arms”, which was held especially for Postulants but all the existing Knights could attend.

In the evening at 8 PM the official banquet was organised for welcoming the Postulants.

All official programs of the Knight Order and the banquet took place at the Casa de la Música Cultural Entertaining Centre.

The next day, on the 16th November, the Knight Ceremony started at 15.30 and was organised – as usual – in the Royal Palace of Gödöllő.

During the Knight Investiture the following high-ranking leaders of international and national organisations, successful businessmen were conferred Knight of Malta by His Most Eminent Highness Prince José Manuel Costa da Veiga COSMELLI – the Grand Master – Regent of the „Sovereign Order of Saint John of Jerusalem, Knights of Malta, Federation of the Autonomous Pories”:

S.D. Prince Wolfgang Samuel Conrad von HEIDENDORF-MOHNSEN (GER), GCKM
Dr. Attila CSENGERY (HUN)
Mr. Sándor István FEKETE (HUN)
Mr. János FERGER (HUN)
Mr. András FISCHL (HUN)
Ms. Linda KRENOVSKA (CZE)
Ms. Ágnes KRIZSÓ (HUN)
Mr. István PETRÁS (HUN)
Mr. Joachim Ferdinand SCHWARZ (GER)
Mr. Csaba SZAMOSVÖLGYI (HUN)
Mr. Martin ZSARNÓCZKY (HUN)
Mr. Bertalan ZSÁMBOKI (HUN)

Appointments:

Sir Zoltán MÁGA, KM
Lady Erika DEBRECENI, DM

Good-Will Ambassador of The Federation
Chief of Security of the Magisterial House of the Federation

Advancements of grade:

Sir Tiberiu DEKANY (ROM)
Sir József PINTÉR (HUN)

was promoted to Grand Cross Knight of Malta (GCKM)
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Sir Gyula DÉVAI KOVÁCS (HUN)
Sir Csaba KERTÉSZ (HUN)
Sir Zoltán SCHVÁB (HUN)

was promoted to Knight Commander (KCM)
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Public recognition for valuable services rendered to the Federation by various persons:

Mr. Zoltán BÖSZÖRMÉNYI

Medal of Merit from the Hungarian Grand Priory

SOVEREIGN ORDER OF CYPRUS – CEREMONY

The Grand Master – Regent gave a short explanation about the Sovereign Order of Cyprus – Knights of Sword and Silence, and then invited His Grace Sir Prof. George POPPER – Grand Executive Chancellor of the Order of Cyprus to conduct the Knighthood Ceremony.

The following people became the new Knights and Dame of the Order of Cyprus:

Sir Abel de LACERDA BOTELHO, GCKM (POR)

Sir Eriks GRINBERGS, KCM (LAT)

Lady Erika DEBRECENI, DM (HUN)

Dr. István FODROS (HUN)

Dr. Fritz WENDLAND (GER)

On the Knight Ceremony and during all official programs the following high-ranking personalities supported and stood by the Grand Master – Regent of the Order:

His Grace Count Sir George POPPER, KGC (HUN) – Lieutenant General, Grand Prior of the Hungarian Langue

His Excellency Count Fra. Abel de LACERDA BOTELHO, GCKM (POR) – President of the Magisterial Court, Grand Prior of the Lusitan Langue

His Excellency Baron Sir Eric Van de WALL, GCKM (NED) – Minister of Humanitarian Affairs, Bailiff

His Excellency Sir Gyula BRAUN, GCKM (HUN) – Minister of Foreign Affairs

His Excellency Sir József PINTÉR, GOKM (HUN) – Minister of Technological Innovations

His Excellency Sir Paolo CUPIDO, KM (ITA) – Minister of Social Infrastructures

Honorary Guests: