



EMBASSY OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES TO THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM

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Ambassador Geela attends event celebrating the 25th anniversary of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325

4 November 2025

Ambassador Geela attended an event held in Brussels by the European External Action Services (EU EEAS) and UN Women to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the UN Security Council Resolution 1325 on Women, Peace and Security. A photo exhibition was also inaugurated during the event.

High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Kaja Kallas gave the opening remarks at the event.



Ambassador Geela meets with the Ambassador of the Dominican Republic

5 November 2025

Ambassador Geela had an introductory meeting with the Ambassador of the Dominican Republic, Her Excellency Joan Margarita Cedano.

Discussion in the meeting centered around exploring ways to enhance cooperation, especially in the areas of tourism, agriculture, and trade.

Embassy facilitates meeting between MEDT and AEROPA

5 November 2025

The Embassy facilitated a meeting between Ministry of Economic Development and Trade and AEROPA Group at the request of the latter.

During the meeting Mr Ludo Pyis, founder of the Aeropa Group, gave a presentation of the AEROPA group and the newly launched project “Velara”. The VELARA project is a newly launched initiative (2024) to address the main challenges faced by emerging economies, such as over-reliance on commodity exports, limited diversification, high borrowing costs, underdeveloped capital markets. In particular, the Velara project seeks to reverse the brain-drain in emerging companies by providing employment opportunities for the youth and growth of the GDP.

The Areopa Group is a “Knowledge Management organization” that has developed methodologies, methods and tools to manage and value an organization's “Intellectual Capital”, the intangible assets linked to an organization. In other words, their tools “quantify and monetize knowledge”

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Ambassador Geela joins the 6th Meeting of the OACPS Subcommittee on Establishment and Finance.

7 November 2025

Ambassador Geela participated in the discussions of the 6th meeting of the Organisation for African, Caribbean, and Pacific States (OACPS) Subcommittee on Establishment and Finance.

During the meeting, member states went through the budget of the organization and discussed optimization of resources.



Ambassador Geela attends food festival held by the Embassy of Malaysia
7 November 2025

Ambassador Geela attended the Malaysian Food Festival hosted by the Embassy of Malaysia in Brussels.

The event showcased the culture and cuisine of Malaysia.



Ambassador Geela attends reception celebrating the 72nd Independence Day of Cambodia
7 November 2025

Ambassador Geela attended the reception held in Brussels on the occasion of the 72nd Independence Day of the Kingdom of Cambodia.



Ambassador Geela attends reception celebrating the 71st anniversary of the Algerian Revolution

12 November 2025

Ambassador Geela attended the reception held in Brussels on the occasion of the 71st anniversary of the Algerian Revolution.

The reception was hosted by His Excellency Mohamed El Amine BENCHERIF, the Ambassador of Algeria to Belgium.

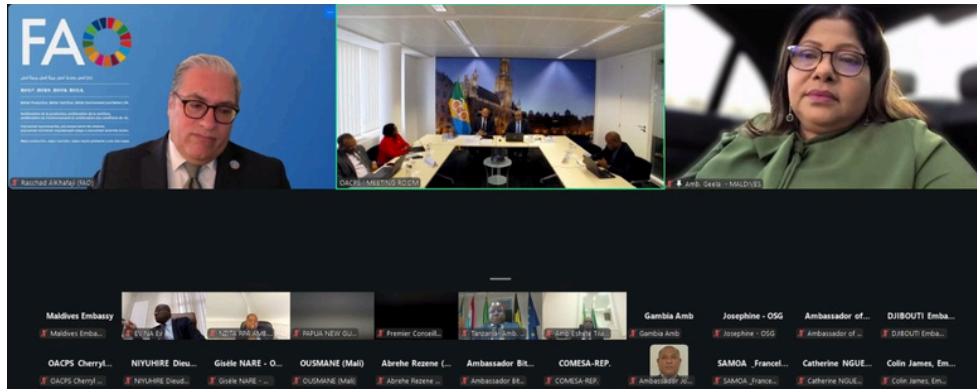


Ambassador Geela holds virtual meeting with senior officials from MPL

13 November 2025

Ambassador Geela met with senior officials at Maldives Ports Limited (MPL).

During the meeting Ambassador Geela and officials from MPL discussed collaboration to further explore the opportunities for establishing cooperation between the ports of Maldives and Belgium.



Ambassador Geela participates in the 976th meeting of the OACPS Committee of Ambassadors

18 November 2025

Ambassador Geela engages in the discussions held in the 976th meeting of the OACPS Committee of Ambassadors.



Ambassador Geela joins Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel's meeting with EU Special Envoy for the Indo-Pacific

20 November 2025

Ambassador Geela accompanied Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel's meeting with the EU Special Envoy for the Indo-Pacific, Maria Castillo Fernández at the sidelines of the 4th EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum.

During the meeting, the Minister reiterated commitment of the Maldives to enhance its relationship with the EU.



Ambassador Geela takes part in Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel's meeting with the Hungarian Foreign Minister

20 November 2025

Foreign Minister Dr Khaleel's meeting with the Minister of Foreign Affairs and Trade of Hungary Szijjarto at the sidelines of the 4th EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum.

Discussions were focused on strengthening the existing relations between the Maldives and Hungary.

Minister Dr. Khaleel was accompanied by Ambassador Geela, Secretary, Multilateral, Ahmed Shiaan and First Secretary Shaffau.



Ambassador Geela joins Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel's meeting with his German counterpart

20 November 2025

Ambassador Geela accompanied Minister Dr. Khaleel at his meeting with the Federal Minister for Foreign Affairs of Germany Dr. Johann Wadephul, at the sidelines of the EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum held in Brussels.



Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel attends the opening session of the EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum

21 November 2025

Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel attended the opening session of the 4th EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum, held from 20-21 November 2025 in Brussels.

The forum, with its first iteration in 2021, aims to be an important platform to lay the groundwork for deeper ties, stronger partnerships and greater cooperation and collaboration between the EU and Indo-Pacific nations.

Minister Dr. Khaleel reaffirmed the Maldives commitment to a free, open, and resilient Indo-Pacific.

Ambassador Geela accompanied Minister Khaleel during the proceedings of the forum.



Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel addresses a roundtable session at the 4th EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum

21 November 2025

Minister Dr. Khaleel addressed a roundtable session on “Common endeavors for a clean and sustainable future”, at the sidelines of the fourth EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum.

Minister highlighted the Maldives’ vulnerability to climate change and its commitments under its third Nationally Determined Contribution. Minister Dr. Khaleel also highlighted the importance of international support for Small Island Developing States (SIDS).

Minister Dr. Khaleel was accompanied by Ambassador Geela at the official proceedings of the roundtable session.



Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel meets with the Secretary-General of EU EEAS

21 November 2025

Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel met with the Secretary General at the European External Action Service (EU EEAS), Belén Martínez Carbonell, at the sidelines of the 4th EU Indo-Pacific Ministerial Forum and reaffirmed commitment to further expand cooperation between the EU and Maldives.

Minister Dr. Khaleel was accompanied in the meeting by Ambassador Geela, Secretary, Multilateral, Ahmed Shiaan and First Secretary Shaffau.



Minister Dr. Khaleel visits the Embassy of Maldives in Belgium

22 November 2025

Ambassador Geela welcomed the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Maldives, His Excellency Dr. Abdulla Khaleel, at the Embassy of Maldives in Brussels.

Foreign Minister Dr. Khaleel visited Brussels on an Official visit to participate in the 4th EU-Indo Pacific Ministerial Meeting.



Ambasssador Geela represents Maldives at UNESCO

24 November 2025

Ambassador Geela represented the Maldives at the UNESCO's 25th session of the General Assembly of States Parties to the convention concerning the protection of the world cultural and natural heritage.



Ambassador Geela represents the Maldives at OPCW

25 November 2025

Ambassador Geela represented the Maldives at the 30th Session of the Conference of the State Parties to the Chemical Weapons Convention.



Ambassador Geela joins a lunch reception hosted by the Cercle Royal Gaulois

26 November 2025

Ambassador Geela joined the diplomatic community in Brussels for a lunch reception hosted by the Cercle Royal Gaulois. At the lunch H.E. Mr. Bernard Quintin, Minister of Security and the Interior of Belgium shared information on the Belgian government's security policy and the initiatives being undertaken in terms of security and immigration.



Ambassador Geela joins the Ambassadors Lunch hosted by the City of Antwerp & the Port of Antwerp-Bruges.

28 November 2025

Ambassador Geela joined the Ambassadors Lunch hosted by the City of Antwerp & the Port of Antwerp-Bruges.

Mayor of Antwerp, Ms. Els van Doesburg and President of the Board of the Port, Mr. Johan Klaps delivered remarks and shared the ongoing efforts of both the city & port.



Ambassador Geela visits Holiday Expo Ghent

29 November 2025

Ambassador Geela visited Holiday Expo Ghent and engaged with the tour operators who were promoting the Maldives as a tourism destination at the expo.