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On April 13, 2006 the Sovereign Military Hospitaller Order of St. John of Jerusalem of Rhodes and of Malta, represented by H.E. the Grand Chancellor Jean-Pierre Mazery and the General Secretariat of the Organization of the American States, represented by H.E. Secretary General Jose Miguel Insulza, entered into a Cooperation Agreement at a ceremony in Washington DC.

The Agreement ensures that the GS/OAS and the Sovereign Order of Malta will cooperate in matters of common interest to the Americas, especially in the following areas:

- i. Promotion and dissemination of international human rights and humanitarian law
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- iii. Measures to provide medical and social assistance, and measures to fight poverty, hunger, narcotrafficking, human trafficking, transnational organized and terrorism; and
- iv. Joint sponsorship of conferences, seminars, and other meetings on topics of common interest.

New York, April 18, 2006