**A message from Daphne Caruana Galizia’s family for the London vigil marking three months since her assassination**

Thank you for being here today.

We, Daphne Caruana Galizia’s family, are grateful to all the organisations which have helped make this vigil happen and we are grateful for your supporting our fight for justice for her.

Daphne Caruana Galizia was persecuted and threatened in life. Since her death, there have been countless attempts to discredit her, to erase her memory, and to destroy her work.

Her assassins and their mandators and intermediaries must be found and face justice. She died for our right to know. With that knowledge, we now have a duty to do justice by her.

But the fight for justice is not only about finding those responsible for killing Daphne Caruana Galizia. It is a fight for everyone’s right to know, to learn, and to understand.

Journalists are killed for what they write. What they write remains after them, as does their reputation and credibility. So those who harassed a journalist in life have the same reasons to harass them in death. They undermine the journalist’s reputation. They try to destroy their credibility, and they try to erase their memory.

This is happening to Daphne Caruana Galizia. This is why this vigil is being held today. Daphne’s memory and her work need to be kept alive.

When journalists are harassed and murdered with impunity, it is not an attack on media freedom alone. It is an attack on all of us, a crime against our dignity and freedom as citizens.

Eternal vigilance is the price to pay for freedom. But journalists should not have to pay that price with their lives.

An end to impunity for crimes against journalists means they should only need to raise the alarm once. And they should not do that by dying.

When a journalist dies, it raises an alarm. But those alarms don’t ring only for journalists. They ring for all of us.

You heard the final alarm Daphne Caruana Galizia sent out into the world and now you are taking action.

By being here today, you are taking a stand – against impunity, against corruption, against the forces that took Daphne Caruana Galizia away from us.

Thank you, all of you. If everyone follows your example, things will begin to change. Then there can be justice and Daphne Caruana Galizia will not have died in vain.