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Central Bank of the UAE announced that the visit of the National Anti-Money Laundering Committee's Delegation has started in Rome – Italy on 09 July 2007, Headed by H.E. Sultan Bin Nasser Al Suwaidi – Governor and Chairman of National Anti-Money Laundering Committee of the UAE.

The Delegation met with H.E. the Deputy Governor of Banca d'Italia (Italian Central Bank) and officials from the Italian Financial Intelligence Unit, Ministry of Economy & Finance and Guardia de Finanza.

The meetings attended by members of the National Anti-Money Laundering Committee representing Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Finance and Industry, Central Bank of the UAE, UAE Financial Intelligence Unit, Federal Customs Authority and the representative of the Economic Development Departments in the UAE.

Enhancement of cooperation with the above Italian authorities was highlighted in the meetings, through discussing signing of Memorandums of Understanding for the purpose of exchange of information and training.

Rome is the first stop within the tour of the Committee's Delegation to some European capitals, which is done for the purpose of an outreach and exchange of expertise on Anti-Money Laundering and Combating of Terrorist Financing (AML/CFT). The Delegation is also planning to visit Madrid – Spain, Lisbon – Portugal, Paris – France and London – UK, where the Delegation will meet with the concerned authorities and government institutions re AML/CFT, in the said countries.

This tour is organized to emphasize the importance of the subject of Anti-Money Laundering and Combating of Terrorist Financing to the UAE, as face to face exchange of views with friendly countries and agreeing on methods of cooperation is an important factor to encounter financial crimes that are mostly of an international nature.