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Jerome Caruana Cilia exposes Alex Borg's incompetence

The Nationalist Party's spokesperson for Education has once again exposed how Opposition Leader Alex Borg makes claims without first establishing the facts. This is yet another reason why his calculations are consistently wide of the mark, behaviour unbecoming of a serious politician.

Jerome Caruana Cilia tabled a Parliamentary Question asking how many classrooms in State schools across Malta and Gozo are not equipped with air-conditioning systems. He also requested a list of the schools concerned, together with the number of classrooms without air-conditioning in each school.

However, the Minister for Education and Sport, Byron Camilleri, reminded him that the Opposition Leader had already claimed, in his speech on 2 November 2026, that he could install air-conditioning systems in all the country's schools for just €4.5 million.

"This Parliamentary Question shows how the Opposition first comes up with figures and makes statements off the cuff, and only afterwards asks questions in an attempt to establish the facts. I would have expected the Opposition to already have this information at hand when drawing up its estimates, rather than having to ask for it afterwards! It is hardly surprising, then, that its estimate was completely wrong from beginning to end, demonstrating just how little it understands the subject", Minister Camilleri replied.

In his response, Minister Camilleri also referred to the explanations he had already provided on the work being undertaken in this sector. Once again, this highlighted the difference between those who govern with a realistic plan to continue improving matters and those who remain preoccupied with partisan politics, exposing their own incompetence in the process.

Note: This statement refers to the reply to Parliamentary Question No. 4965: https://pqs.parlament.mt/?pqid=6aeafd6bc25a71b98bc5c0b0