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JOSEPH Muscat yesterday promised to open the divorce debate with a view to presenting laws in parliament and allowing a free vote if he is elected Labour leader.

Speaking on TVM programme Dissett, Muscat also spoke about the need to come clean about the past, with both parties apologising for the hardships they made their opponents endure between the '60s and the '80s.

Muscat said it was "about time" there was a free discussion on divorce leading to proposed legislation in Parliament.

"I can personally envisage a situation where there is proposed legislation presented to parliament and where MPs, definitely those on our side, are given a free vote."

He also spoke about the need to come clean about the past.

"Parties need to take a step back and assess their contribution in our history," Muscat said.

"People were hurt by the PN in

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# Muscat promises divorce laws, historical apology

## HUNTING

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## JASON MICALLEF LASHES OUT AT ALFRED GRIXTI



A tumultuous MLP national executive meeting held on Monday night discussed none other than Alfred Grixti's interview with sister newspaper Illum and other comments given last week to MaltaToday Midweek.

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## NURSES THREATEN GENERAL STRIKE

NURSING union president Paul Pace said nurses will go on general strike if the government



does not live up to its obligation to pay a special premium it negotiated prior to the elections. The premium, a second instalment of which has to be paid by 21 April, has prompted social policy minister John Dalli to call in the Malta Union of Midwives and Nurses for conciliatory talks. But Paul Pace has told MaltaToday the union "means business".

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