ADVANCE QUESTIONS TO MALTA (SECOND BATCH)

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• What actions have been taken by the authorities to create and foster safe and supportive environment for critical and independent journalism following the murder of Daphne Caruana Galizia?

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- What progress has been made on establishing a National Human Rights and Equality commission compliant with the Paris Principles?
- Since the last UPR in 2013, can you tell us what steps have been taken to accelerate the judicial process to ensure decisions are reached within a reasonable timeframe?
- What steps are being taken to strengthen investigation and prosecution of trafficking related crimes in Malta?
- What action is the Maltese government taking to protect freedom of expression including by bringing its new Media and Defamation Act further into line with recommendations made by the OSCE Representative on Freedom of the Media, in particular regarding civil defamation lawsuits?
- What efforts are being made to modernise the provision of mental health services across Maltese hospitals?