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National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

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Property Name	Porta Reale Curtain - Valletta		
Address	Putirjal, Valletta		
Town Name	Valletta	Toponym	Local Council Valletta
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	
Guardianship Deed			

Period	Modern (16th to 18th Century AD)		
Phase	Early Modern: Knights of St John (16th Century)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Historical Architectural	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Outstanding
Property Function	Fortification	Conservation Area	UCA (Valletta)

Outline Description	Curtain
Property Description	Central curtain wall on the main land front which contained the main entrance into the city. The curtain has a lower rockhewn scarp and built up upper held. Contains a thick parapet with six low embrasures, three on each side of the entrance passage way. A succession of gateways, with their guardhouses and drawbridges, approached over an arched bridge, stood on site. The last of these, erected by the Royal Engineers was dismantled in the 1960s. The curtain wall has brisures at both ends to accommodate the adjoining piazza basse. Two sally-ports opened up into the ditch, and a third, is situated in the centre of the curtain wall, originally under the main gate.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	133	G.N. Date	2001
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Recommended Bibliography	S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Knights (Malta, 2001), 268-80
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Coordinates : Easting

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Property Plan



Property Images

