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Property Name	St John Curtain - Valletta			
Address	Windmill Street, Valletta			
Town Name	Valletta	Toponyr	n l	Local Council Valletta
Property Owner	Government	Managing Body	7	
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
<b>Property Function</b>	Fortification		Conservation Area	UCA (Valletta)
Outline Description	Curtain			
Property Description	Curtain wall on the main land front linking St John Bastion to St Michael Demi- bastion. The curtain is largely rockhewn with a masonry parapet. A large rectangular moulded frame once bore a pair of escutcheons. A large traverse, built at a higher level, protects the eastern end of the curtain. The curtain wall has brisures at both ends to accommodate the adjoining piazza basse. A sally-ports opens up into the ditch near the angle formed by the curtain and the flank of St Michael Demi-bastion. This communicates via a long tunnel to an entrance in present-day Melita Street.			
Scheduled by MEPA	Yes Degree	of Protection	Grade 1 G.N. No.	<b>G.N. Date</b> 2001
S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Knights (Malta, 2001), 268-80 Recommended Bibliography				

