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SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

# National Inventory of the Cultural Property of the Maltese Islands

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<b>Property Name</b>	Greeks Gate – Mdina				
<b>Address</b>	Mdina Ditch				
<b>Town Name</b>	Mdina	<b>Toponym</b>	-	<b>Local Council</b>	Mdina
<b>Property Owner</b>	Government	<b>Managing Body</b>	Mdina Local Council		
<b>Guardianship Deed</b>					

<b>Period</b>	Medieval (6th to 16th Century AD)				
<b>Phase</b>	High Medieval: Late Arab - Norman (late 10 - early 13 C. AD)				
<b>Cultural Heritage Type &amp; Value</b>	Historical	<b>Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment</b>	Outstanding		
	Architectural				
<b>Property Function</b>	Fortification	<b>Conservation Area</b>	UCA		

<b>Outline Description</b>	Gateway
<b>Property Description</b>	<p>Greek's Gate consists of two gate ways, one grafted in front of the other. The inner most gate is the old medieval entrance. This was a secondary gateway, or porta falsa as it was called , with its pointed arch, and led down into the ditch. The outer portal is a later Baroque construction dating from the early eighteenth century. It was constructed the French Military engineer Charles Francois de Mondion and was served by an a' la Vauban drawbridge and protected by a drop ditch, the latter no longer visible. Greeks gate was less ornate than the main gate and lacked a superstructure . Its corpo di guardia was located inside the passageway. It also contains a 'cantina' ( underground chamber) for the retraction of the drawbridge platform.</p>

<b>Scheduled by MEPA</b>	Yes	<b>Degree of Protection</b>	Grade 1	<b>G.N. No.</b>	348	<b>G.N. Date</b>	2001
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<b>Recommended Bibliography</b>	<p>S.C. Spiteri, Fortresses of the Knights (Malta,2001), 229-36</p> <p>Q. Hughes &amp; K. Thake, Malta, The Baroque Island (Malta, 2003), 160</p>
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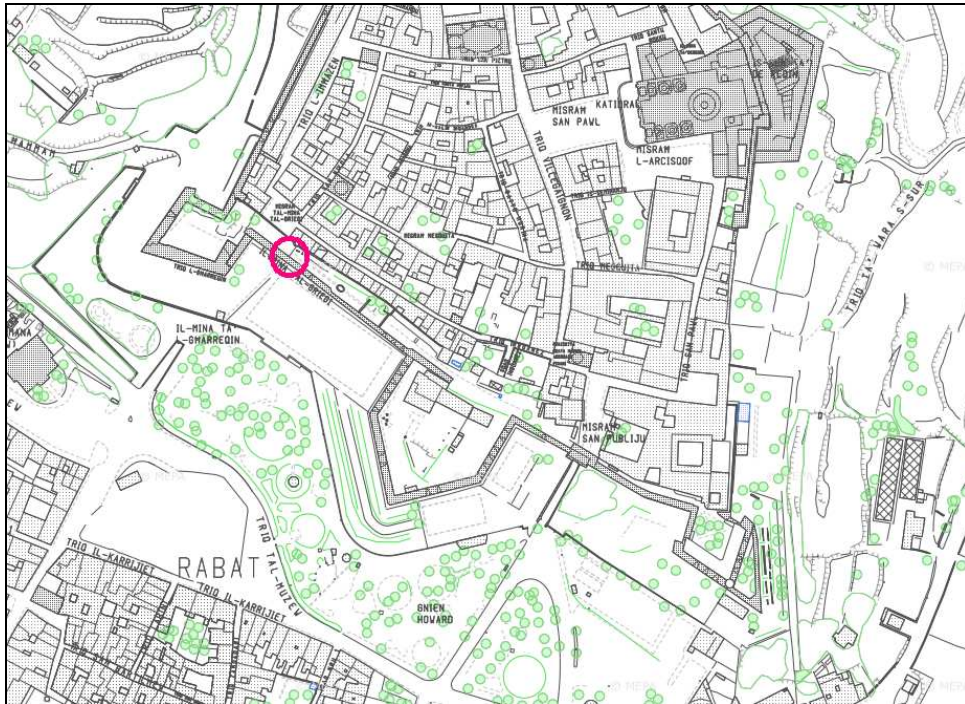
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Property Plan



Property Images

