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SUPERINTENDENCE OF CULTURAL HERITAGE

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Property Name	Chapel of the Madonna of Sorrows		
Address	Triq id-Duluri		
Town Name	Mqabba	Toponym	Local Council Mqabba
Property Owner	Religious	Managing Body	Archidiocese
Guardianship Deed	Under consideration		

Period	Modern (16th to 20th Century AD)		
Phase	Modern: British (1800 - 1964)		
Cultural Heritage Type & Value	Architectural Artistic Historical	Cultural Heritage Property Value Assessment	Very High
Property Function	Religious	Conservation Area	

Outline Description	On the site of the present chapel, there was another one that dates before 1500 and was dedicated to the Assumption of the Virgin, known as Santa Marija tal-Faqqanija. The building of the present chapel started in the year 1680. Since then, the chapel was remodelled and consequently changed its dedication to the Virgin of Sorrows.
Property Description	The facade of the chapel is simple and the only embellishments that it has is the stone statue of the Virgin which is housed in a simple round arched niche which was executed in the 1950s by Marco Montebello. The facade is elevated by means of two low steps that lead to the main and only entrance of the chapel. The chapel's roof is slanting and decorated with two spheres raised on a small square pedestal that grace the ends of the rood. Round about the year 1814, the chapel saw the addition of a new parvis and a new bell cot which stylistically contrasts with the rest of the chapel.

Scheduled by MEPA	Yes	Degree of Protection	Grade 1	G.N. No.	8/97	G.N. Date	
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