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**Statement by Malta on the Council Conclusions on Special Report No 10/2013 from the  
European Court of Auditors**

With regard to lack of reference to the subsidiarity principle applying to the coupled support scheme in the Council Conclusions, Malta maintains that Member States are in the best possible position to identify sectors with difficulties on their own territory and to fix priorities among various needs for targeted support, while being responsible for deciding and designing the support measures to be implemented and ensuring that such measures are verifiable and controllable.