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NOTE

From:	General Secretariat of the Council
To:	Delegations
Subject:	Malta's priorities as OSCE chair-in-office for 2024
	- Request by the Maltese Delegation for an AOB item

Delegations will find attached a note from the Maltese Delegation concerning Malta's priorities as OSCE chair-in-office in 2024. The topic will be included as an "Any other business" item on the agenda for the Foreign Affairs Council on 22 January 2024.

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AOB item requested by Malta for the FAC (22 January 2024)

Minister Borg would like to take the opportunity to inform FAC about Malta's priorities as OSCE chair-in-office for 2024. During its term as Chair-in-office Malta will focus on strengthening the Organization's resilience and effectiveness.

Malta will continue to work on safeguarding and upholding the fundamental principles and commitments enshrined in the Helsinki Final Act and the Charter of Paris. Building upon the work of past Chairpersonships, Malta will continue to focus particularly on Ukraine and supporting resolutions to ongoing conflicts in the OSCE area. Fostering an inclusive approach to security and placing human rights and the security of people will be at the centre of Malta's endeavours while also providing support for the OSCE presence on the ground.

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