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Subject:	COMMISSION DELEGATED REGULATION (EU) .../... of 19.9.2025 supplementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1991 of the European Parliament and of the Council by establishing a science-based method for monitoring pollinator diversity and pollinator populations - Intention not to raise objections = Statement

STATEMENT FROM MALTA

Malta supports the EU's objective to halt and reverse pollinator decline and remains committed to robust, science-based monitoring for effective restoration.

While we acknowledge the adoption of the Delegated Regulation supplementing Regulation (EU) 2024/1991, Malta must reiterate its concern that the specific needs of small, densely populated, and fragmented territories have not been sufficiently addressed, despite repeated requests for greater flexibility.

We recall that proportionality, as set out in Article 5(4) TEU, is a fundamental principle applying to all Union acts, including delegated measures. Malta believes that a more differentiated approach would have better ensured the feasibility and effectiveness of implementation for small Member States.

Malta will implement the Delegated Act in good faith and in accordance with the relevant provisions. However, we wish to formally record our view that the Commission's approach has not fully respected the principle of proportionality or the need for genuine differentiation.
