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Dear Tsetska,

It is my pleasure to inform you that the Republic of Malta is hereby notifying its intention to participate in Council Regulation (EU) 2017/1939 of 12 October 2017 *implementing enhanced cooperation on the establishment of the European Public Prosecutor's Office* (the 'EPPO').

Malta recognises that the establishment of the EPPO is a major development for safeguarding the economic interests of the Union and ensuring that Union funds are employed for the achievement of the social and economic purposes for which they are intended.

The Government of Malta is confident that further coordination between the work of EPPO, EUROPOL, Eurojust, the European Judicial Network and other community institutions and agencies will ensure progression to a higher level of police and judicial cooperation in Europe to the benefit of justice, peace and security.

By virtue of the procedure set out in Article 331(1) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, the Republic of Malta requests the Commission to initiate the procedures intended to confirm the participation of the Republic of Malta in the said enhanced cooperation.

Whilst assuring you of our highest consideration of the project I augur that the European Commission will be able to confirm our participation.

Yours sincerely

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Minister for Justice, Culture and Local Government