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CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO THE BISHOPS

On the occasion of Christmas and the start of the New Year, Archbishop Paul Cremona OP and Archbishop Emeritus Joseph Mercieca will receive members of the general public who wish to convey their good wishes for the season, on Sunday 18th December between 9am and noon.

This year too, the exchange of greetings will take place at the Archbishop's Curia in Floriana, which is easily accessible for persons with disability. Entrance will be through the door of St Calcedonius, which is situated in Vincenzo Bugeja Street (and not the main door). On Sunday, at 10am, the Archbishop will also address those who will be present.

The Curia wishes to announce that it has cancelled the annual Christmas party as a sign of respect following the demise of Bishop Annetto Depasquale. Instead of the party, a mass for the repose of his soul will be celebrated.

On New Year's Day, in the morning, the Bishops will be present at the Archbishop's Palace in Valletta. They shall be exchanging greetings with State dignitaries and Trade Union officials.