



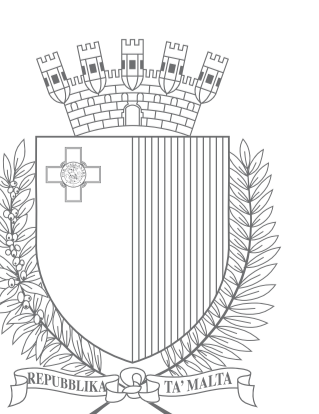
## FURTHER RECOVERY FROM COVID-19

A further **8 persons have recovered from Covid-19, after having tested negative for the virus**. Their ages vary between 20 years and 70 years. Up till now, **126 persons have recovered from the virus**. At the same time, there were **4 cases of persons who tested positive during the 574 tests that have been carried out**. 3 of these live in the Hal Far open centre, where 38 persons have tested positive for Covid-19 so far. They are being held in a building that is separate from the main building, so that they may be given the necessary treatment. At the moment, there are **302 active Covid-19 cases in Malta**. The number of persons who are recovering from the virus in hospitals has decreased. There are 2 patients in ITU, 16 patients in Boffa, 8 at a private hospital, and the rest are at home under medical observation. The appeal remains **for any one who has symptoms to phone 111, and for anyone who has been given an appointment, to honour such appointment, irrespective of the day when this is slated for**.



## CLEANSING IN HOUSING ESTATES

A cleansing programme in the various housing estates around Malta has been widened, especially with regards to sterilization of the communal areas, with the aim of safeguarding the residents' health. This is an essential project, at a time when thousands of families are spending long hours in their homes. **During the first month alone, cleansing works were carried out on 400 blocks, and thus will benefit some 2,800 families**. In various housing estates we find various elderly residents, who are not in a position to carry out the necessary cleaning themselves. Thus, **Government will intervene by means of 100 employees from a private company, who are benefiting from the fiscal measures enacted by Government and, instead of cashing the benefit and staying home, are giving back to their community**.





## INSPECTIONS ON GATHERINGS AND THOSE QUARANTINED

**43 persons were each fined €100 during the continuous rounds Police are conducting** to ensure that no gatherings involving more than 3 persons take place in public places, as per the legal notice issued by Government. In the meantime, **no one was found breaching quarantine during any of the 818 inspections carried out in the last 24 hours.** The appeal remains for one and all to be **responsible and co-operate with the directives issued by the authorities.**



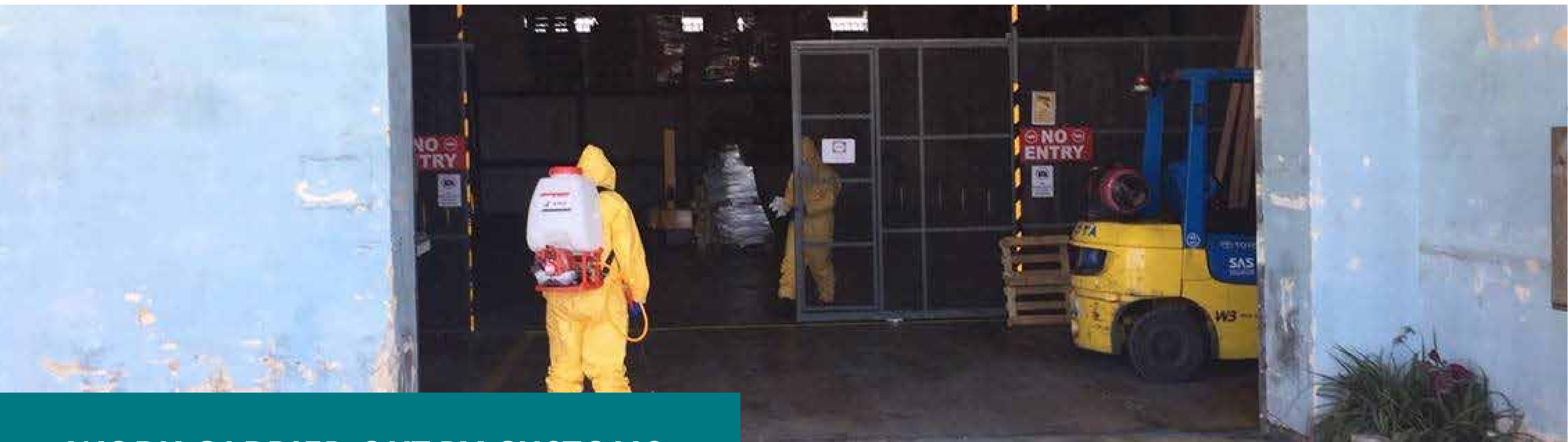
## ĊITTADELLA BASTIONS

A message of courage to all Maltese and Gozitans is being virtually put up daily from 8pm onwards on the Ċittadella bastions. This projection will continue being screened for another 15 days, and is dedicated to a courageous people who never backed down when faced with diseases or wars. It is also a message of prevention, so that we may all be more careful, and protect ourselves, against Covid-19.



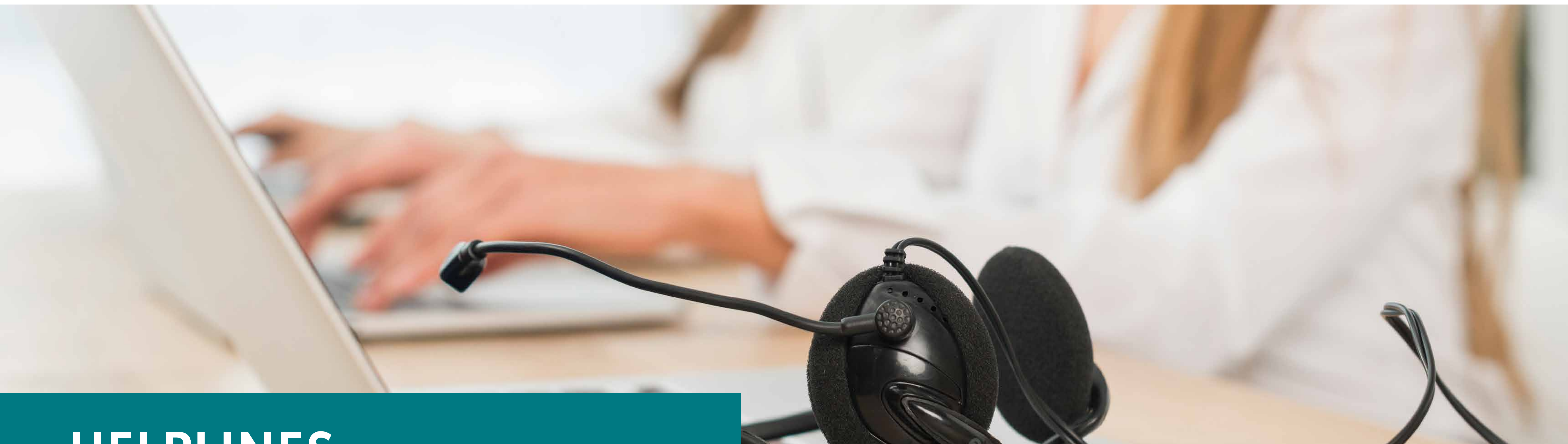
## VOLUNTARY REPATRIATION

The voluntary repatriation assistance scheme for all foreign citizens **has been extended till 10th May**. This government scheme is intended for European Union citizens, as well as others who are not, and who are in Malta for reasons of work, education, familial, or other reasons, **so that they may return to their countries against nominal payment**. **Even foreign citizens who do not have a residence document may apply**. Those who are interested are to apply through [foreignandeu.gov.mt/apply](https://foreignandeu.gov.mt/apply). For more help, one can phone **2204 2800**, or send an email on [repatriation.mfea@gov.mt](mailto:repatriation.mfea@gov.mt).



## WORK CARRIED OUT BY CUSTOMS

The groupage complex at the Malta Customs in Hal Far **has been disinfected and fumigated as part of the unceasing efforts by the authorities to limit the spread of Covid-19**. This disinfection and fumigation exercise **has been carried out by employees of for Civil Protection Department, who donned protective gear specifically-intended for such occasions, and specialized equipment**. Afterwards, **Public Cleansing employees made sure to clean the warehouses – 26 bonds in all**. Similar cleaning has been carried out at the **Newport Bonded Stores, and Mifsud Verandahs in Marsa, where 52 Customs warehouses are situated**.



## HELPLINES

**111** – For those who **experience symptoms of COVID-19** or those who require further **information**

**21411 411** – For those in **mandatory quarantine** who require food and medical provisions

**2294 4511/2294 4504** – To report **breaches of regulations** regarding public health and Covid-19 to the Police

**1770** – Helpline for **emotional support and mental wellbeing**

**1772** – For those who are **feeling lonely**

**2545 1111** – For **Mater Dei, Boffa Hospital, and Sir Anthony Mamo** healthcare workers

**2364 5002** – For **Primary Health Care, Gozo General Hospital, and Mount Carmel** employees

**1575** – For employees to ask about wages and employment conditions

**1576** – For employers to ask about wages and employment conditions

**153** – For those who require **information** about the measures of the **financial package** which are administered by the **Department of Social Security**

**144** – For those who require **information** about the measures of the **financial package** which are administered by **Malta Enterprise**

**2204 2200** – For Maltese residents who are **stranded in another country and wish to return to Malta**

**2204 2800** – For **foreign** citizens **who wish to be repatriated**

**80074313/79307307** – For those who have **difficulties regarding blood donation**

**2598 1000** – For those who have **queries about the educational sector**

**2169 2447** – For **hoteliers and tourists** who have queries about the announced measures

**2590 3030** – For elderly **people without means of assistance** who require medicine, ready meals, or food products (fruit and vegetables)

**2546 9111** – For those who work in the gaming industry.