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With reference to reports published today in the local media that the Malta Police Force carried out 7000 on-the-road car inspections in the last quarter of 2020, Doctors for Road Safety would like to express their highest commendation, respect and support. Such interventions constitute one of the most effective ways to raise road safety standards by increasing police visibility, identifying and sidelining potential threats, and most importantly delivering a tough and consistent message of zero tolerance to any and every violation which puts lives at risk.

It is noteworthy that the inspections were carried out by the coordinated action of district police, the Rapid Intervention Unit, the Environmental Protection Unit, traffic section and dog section, as well as the Armed Forces of Malta. Such coordination by the units in the Police Force and the Armed Forces of Malta must be supported and consolidated by various Ministries, Transport Malta, legislators and the Courts, and voluntary organizations and the general public. It is only through the concerted and committed action of all stakeholders that road safety can be given the priority and importance that will protect lives and ensure peace of mind to all road users.