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Tourism related activities generate considerable income and employment in the economy of the Maltese Islands. They are also important sources of foreign exchange earnings. At the same time, such activities create man-induced pressures on the environment, which may have irreversible repercussions in the long run. They may also have a negative impact on the social relations and the cultures of the host countries.

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