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### **MINISTER PRESENTS AWARD TO 2007 ED LACY WINNER**

Minister for the Environment & Tourism, Ernest Britto, was in London on Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July to present the 2007 Ed Lacy Award to UK national newspaper writer Mr Bill Todd, of The Sun.

Mr Todd is a regular visitor to Gibraltar having contributed many features on the destination during his lengthy career. His fondness of Gibraltar is so great that he choose it as his wedding setting in 2006, when he married his wife Fran, who joined him at the Gibraltar Tourist Board office in London for the presentation.

The writing award sponsored by the Gibraltar Tourist Board, was established in memory of the journalist, Ed Lacy who was a fervent admirer and visitor to the Rock. The annual competition continues to grow in popularity amongst journalistic circles. Mr Todd's winning entry that appeared in the Sun newspaper earlier this year was entitled 'Gibraltar Rocks!'

The selection for the award from a considerable number of newspaper travel articles featuring Gibraltar in the international media over the year in question was conducted by the Government's director for media and PR, Francis Cantos; the Editor of the Chronicle, Dominique Searle and GBC's Editor Stephen Neish.