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Joint Statement : GOG and Unite

The dispute at the City Fire Brigade has ended. This follows the ending of industrial action and a lunch with the Chief Minister and Minister Del Agua at the City Fire Brigade Social Club hosted by the Union.

Issues discussed included the new system of access by visitors to the station, the non use of the operational parts of the station for social events, health and safety and training issues.

Following the Governments further explanation of its reasons, the position in relation to access by visitors and social use will remain as it is to-day. However, in the context of a new fire station the Government will consider the possibility of providing a larger dual purpose area that can safely be used for social events in the future.

The Government reaffirmed its commitment to the implementation of the health and safety report that was commissioned by management, and to review the brigade's training needs and resources.

The disciplinary action pending against a number of fire-fighters arising from events during the dispute will be settled with a written reprimand and caution.