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ISLAND GAMES 2009

The Minister for Sport and Leisure, the Hon Edwin Reyes, wishes all the members of the Gibraltar Island Games Association participating in the 2009 Games in Aland, Finland, the very best of luck in all their competitions.

The standards of all sports in the Island Games have been rising consistently, but so has the standard of Gibraltar sports through long hours of training and dedication and, therefore, Gibraltar's participants can justifiably expect to do well in their competitions. The Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority believes that the experience to be gained from participating in competitions such as the Island Games, thereby providing an ideal opportunity for playing against different opposition, is invaluable to furthering the development of sport in Gibraltar.

The Minister for Sport and Leisure, accompanied by the Chief Executive of the Gibraltar Sports and Leisure Authority, will be attending the Games in Aland as from Tuesday 30 June and will be visiting as many events as possible in support of the Gibraltar Island Games team. The Minister will return to Gibraltar, together with the Gibraltar Island Games Teams, after the Closing Ceremony on Saturday 4 July.