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NEW SERIES OF GIBRALTAR CURRENCY NOTES

The Chief Minister, who is also the Finance Minister, has today announced the issue of a new series of Gibraltar currency notes issued by the Gibraltar Government. There are five currency notes in the series - £5, £10, £20, £50 and for the first time a £100 note. He has also launched the circulation of the new £10 and £50 notes.

The currency notes will be released into circulation in two phases. The £10 and £50 notes have been released today and the £5, £20 and £100 notes will follow in early 2011.

The reverse of each of the banknotes carries a vignette which shows an aspect of Gibraltar through the ages. The £5 note shows the Moorish Castle; the £10 note has a scene from the Great Siege of 1779-1783 and the £20 note depicts HMS Victory returning to Gibraltar in 1805. The £50 shows Casemates Square as it is today and the £100 note depicts the Kings Bastion Leisure Centre.

A booklet with full information on the currency notes and a short history on the themes depicted in each note is available at the Ministry of Finance, Treasury Department, 23 John Mackintosh Square and online at www.gibraltar.gov.gi.

Notes to Editors:

Attached (also available online at www.gibraltar.gov.gi):

- An explanatory booklet
- A short history of Gibraltar's currency
- A short note on the new £10 and £50 notes