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“Clean up the World Campaign – Government extends cleaning arrangements to remote and inaccessible areas”.

In previous years' participation by the Environmental Safety Group in the “Clean up the World Campaign”, the ESG has successfully and effectively demonstrated the extent of the litter that accumulates in remote and inaccessible, but visible and environmentally important areas of Gibraltar.

As this year's Campaign approaches, the Government is pleased to be able to announce that it has made changes to Gibraltar's cleaning arrangements in response to encouragement to that effect by the ESG.

The Government has extended the territorial scope of the Master Services street cleaning contract to include a regular programme of litter and debris removal from 31 remote and inaccessible areas including, the following:

- (1) Upper Rock Roads and adjacent areas.
- (2) Areas below Princess Caroline Battery.
- (3) Area below and adjacent to Cable Car Top Station.
- (4) Governor's lookout.
- (5) Areas around Devil's Gap Steps/Lopez Ramp/Baca's Passage/Devil's Battery.
- (6) Green areas and paths Europa Road to Upper Witham's.
- (7) Rosia Bay, Camp Bay and Little Bay, beaches, rocks and other areas.
- (8) Lathbury Barracks Parade ground and surrounding area.
- (9) Europa Advance Road, Europa Point and all surrounding areas.
- (10) Catalan Bay Car Park, rocks and slopes and area of Williams Way Tunnel Entrance.
- (11) Sir Herbert Miles Road slopes and rocks.
- (12) Waterport Rock Revetments.

A No 6 spokesman said: -

“The introduction of regular and programmed cleaning services in the remoter and more inaccessible areas of Gibraltar represents a great improvement and expansion of the maintenance of our living and natural environment. The Government acknowledges the ESG's role and that of the hundreds of volunteers that take part each year, in bringing about this expanded public service.

The new contractual arrangements come into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> October, and the Government therefore encourages volunteers to once again support the ESG's “Clean up the World” Campaign this week-end”.