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80th Anniversary Gibraltar Museum Lecture Series

Mr Dennis Beiso, Government Archivist, will be giving the next lecture in the Gibraltar Museum series on Tuesday 12th October, entitled:

**“From the Second Republic to Córdoba:
80 years of Relations between Gibraltar, Britain and Spain”**

The lecture will chart the progress of relations between Gibraltar, Spain and the United Kingdom from 1930 to 2010, beginning with an examination of British policy towards and interests in Gibraltar and the Spanish Second Republic prior to and during the civil war, as well as subsequent developments in relations with the Franco regime, during the Second World War and into the 1950s. The talk will analyse, primarily in a Gibraltar context, the deterioration of relations between Spain and the UK during that decade, as well as Spanish efforts to internationalize the Gibraltar problem during the 1960s and reactions to those efforts both within Gibraltar and in the UK. It will be argued that the death of Franco in 1973 marked a sea-change in Anglo-Spanish relations with a consequent and almost immediate impact on the Gibraltar/UK relationship itself. The talk will also consider the 1980s and the further internationalization, or “Europeanization”, of the Gibraltar problem in an EEC/EU context. Finally, more recent developments in the 1990s and into the 21st century will be examined, concluding with a consideration of the Cordoba Agreement and the apparent move away from bilateralism to a more tripartite approach in the resolution of outstanding problems.

The lecture will take place at the John Mackintosh hall, commencing at 2030 hours. All lectures are open to the public and are free of charge.

Note to Editors: For further information please contact Marie Mosquera at the Gibraltar Museum on 200 74289. Alternatively, email: musadmin@gibraltar.gi