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VISIT OF DIRECTOR OF THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION

The Director of the Directorate General for Regional Policy of the European Commission (DG REGIO), Mr Jose Palma-Andres will be paying a visit to Gibraltar from 3rd – 5th November 2010. He will be accompanied by Mr Guy Flament who is the European regional Development Fund Desk Officer for Gibraltar.

During his stay, Mr Palma-Andres will be paying a courtesy call on the Deputy Chief Minister, The Hon J J Holliday. He will also be visiting a number of private sector players to see at first hand how EU funding has been spent on a variety of projects, as well as inspecting a number of private sector projects that have benefitted from EU co-funding. He will also attend the Competitiveness and Employment Objective (ERDF) biennial Programme Monitoring Committee (PMC) Meeting. These PMC meetings bring together public sector departments and private sector partners with the Government's EU Programmes Secretariat and monitors progress on the Gibraltar ERDF Programme for the programming period 2007 – 2013.

Mr Palma-Andres is no stranger to Gibraltar as this is his third visit as a Director of DG REGIO. His last visit was in 2008, to launch the current ERDF Programme on behalf of the EU Commission.