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## GOVERNMENT ANNOUNCES TENDER FOR THE ALLOCATION OF A CAFETERIA AT THE EUROPA POINT RECREATIONAL AREA

The Government is inviting tenders for the allocation of a cafeteria at the Europa Point recreational area. The closing date is Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2011 at noon.

The single storey building forms part of the entrance to the leisure area, opposite the newly created open air play park. It is a prime location on the pedestrian entrance avenue, adjacent to the public car park, coach park, taxi rank and public toilets, and en route to the sea facing leisure promenades and historic monuments. The facility will be a family friendly environment and a convenient waiting area for people using the playgrounds and picnic areas.

Its contemporary architectural design follows the general design of the area. The building will have a steel and glass frontage overlooking the children's play areas. Public facilities will include a main internal seating area and an external seating terrace with surrounding planting and canopy shade structures. Internal rooms are designed to provide supporting facilities including service provision to kitchen, WC and store, with a separate external delivery entrance. The internal part of the building will be provided as a shell finish, ready to be fully fitted out by the occupier. Persons interested in submitting a tender will be required to provide a detailed specification of the proposed fitting out and furnishing of the cafeteria.

Tenders will be invited on a premium basis for the grant of a 21 year lease. The successful tenderer will be required to undertake all works to a high standard and carryout business as a cafeteria to the satisfaction of the Government.

The Government will also be announcing shortly the development of an iconic restaurant project at Europa Point located next to the newly refurbished viewing platform (Harding's Battery). The development will house, amongst other facilities, a fine dining restaurant and bar experience with panoramic views of the Strait of Gibraltar and the African Coastline.

The Minister with responsibility for Development, the Hon Joe Holliday said: "The Government is delighted with the way Europa Point is being transformed into a highly regarded leisure facility and tourist hotspot. I believe a well appointed and modern cafeteria will be a wonderful addition to the area and a fantastic business opportunity. The Government is extremely proud of the way this Project is unfolding and is very much looking forward to seeing it completed shortly."