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THE EVELINA FAMILY TRUST

HM Government of Gibraltar has made a donation of £9,250 to the Evelina Family Trust, in support of the work they do in providing free accommodation for families of children being treated in the Evelina Children's Hospital at Guy's and St Thomas' in London. The Trust manages Ronald McDonald House, which is used by parents when their child is being treated as an inpatient in hospital. Gibraltarian families have been using these facilities for three years, free of charge. In response to a request from the Trust, the Government agreed to make a donation in gratitude for the accommodation provided to Gibraltarians.

The cheque for £9,250 was presented to the Trust's Chief Executive, Elizabeth Gibson, by Peter Canessa, Director of Gibraltar House. Also present at the presentation was Albert Poggio, UK Representative of the Government, and Christine Crawford and Joanna Ferrary of the Gibraltar Health Authority.

In recognition of the donation, a plaque has been placed outside one of the rooms, which reads, "The costs of this room are supported by Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar".

Commenting on the presentation, a Government spokesman said, "We are very grateful to the Evelina Family Trust for providing free accommodation to the parents of our younger sponsored patients, when required. The room provided by the Trust is one less worry when travelling with a sick child for treatment in London".