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GIBRALTARIAN TORCH BEARERS WILL LIGHT UP LONDON

His Worship the Mayor and the Minister for Sport were both at the airport this morning to wish farewell and 'Good Luck' to Amanda Carreras and Nicola Bosio. The two girls will each be carrying the Olympic Torch through the streets of London on Tuesday – indeed, Amanda will hand over the Torch to Nicola. The Hon Steven Linares, Minister for Sport, will be able to watch the handover of the Torch as he is in London for the meeting of the Commonwealth Sports ministers.

'I know that lots of other Gibraltarians will be making their way to Ealing on Tuesday afternoon to watch this historic moment when Amanda hands over the Torch to Nicola,' said Minister Linares.

'The two girls will be the first Gibraltarians ever to participate in any Olympic occasion,' said the Mayor, His Worship Julio Alcantara. 'And this comes at a time when we have a Rhythmic Gymnast and a Hockey Umpire both involved in Olympic events.'

'We only have to run about 300 metres,' said Amanda 'But it is still a great honour and a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity.'

'And, being in London just three days before the start of the Olympics, we know that there will be a big crowd watching us,' added Nicola.

Amanda and Nicola were chosen by a local panel from over twenty individuals who were nominated for 'Future Flames' – an initiative organised by Coca-Cola in association with Charles Gaggero and Company Limited.