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Introduction of a Yacht Notification System

Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar is pleased to announce the introduction of a streamlined system for the notification of yachts and small vessels visiting Gibraltar. The electronic, web-based system will allow users to enter crew, passenger and stores details in advance, facilitating reduced clearance times on arrival.

Registered users will have the ability to store vessel information and to reuse the data to create new notifications.

The marinas welcome this new initiative which provides information useful to allow efficient berth allocation.

It is expected that the system will go live on 22nd October 2012. Links to the system will be available through various websites including those of HM Government of Gibraltar, HM Customs and the Port Authority.

Commenting on the above, The Hon Neil Costa MP, Minister for Tourism, Public Transport and the Port said "I am pleased to have been able to complete this project that has been ongoing for the past 18 months, to which, we have given our full backing since being elected. This system will facilitate the activities of HM Customs, the Gibraltar Port Authority and the Borders & Coastguard Agency, whilst making Gibraltar a more attractive commercial and leisure hub for vessels. It further demonstrates the Government's commitment and investment in E-Government projects. This should also have a positive knock on effect on the local trade and the local economy."