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## Landmark Agreement with Unite the Union

Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar is pleased to announce an important agreement between Unite the Union, the management of the Gibraltar Port Authority and the Government in respect of various outstanding issues. This agreement gives the green light for the GPA to proceed to fill existing vacancies and to further formal negotiations in order to resolve a number of outstanding industrial relations issues affecting the port.

At a meeting of the Negotiating Forum on Friday 2nd November, all parties undertook to resolve outstanding issues by the end of this year thus clearing the way for a full review of the collective agreements in the New Year.

Commenting on the progress that has been made, the Minister for Tourism, Transport and the Port, the Hon Neil Costa MP said: "A lot of work has been done by both Unite and the Port Authority to bring the relationship between management and the unions back to being a sound and fruitful working relationship after a period where industrial relations had experienced some entrenched difficulties. I am delighted at the progress being made and look forward to working with the Union as equal partners in implementing the Government's exciting programme."