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**Chief Minister leaves for the United States**

The Chief Minister Fabian Picardo has left Gibraltar for the United States of America.

Mr Picardo will attend various business meetings in the US with American blue chip companies and also with educational institutions.

He will return to Gibraltar on Saturday. In his absence, the Deputy Chief Minister Dr Joseph Garcia will act as Chief Minister