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**SPAIN PROHIBITS EXPORT OF SAND AND ROCKS – CHIEF MINISTER TO RAISE  
ISSUE WITH FOREIGN SECRETARY**

HM Government of Gibraltar notes that the Spanish authorities are now denying export permission for the supply of rock, sand and aggregate destined for projects in Gibraltar.

The Government of Gibraltar has already identified sourced alternative sources of supplies and will shortly be finalising these alternative arrangements.

As a result, there should be no delay to the envisaged works on any project as a result of these illegal and anti-European restrictions.

The Chief Minister, the Hon Fabian Picardo MP, will raise also this issue with the Foreign Secretary tomorrow, in addition to the many other instances of illegal action being taken by the Spanish Government at the frontier and at sea.

Legal action and the necessary complaints to the EU Commission will follow if the restrictions in question are not removed.

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