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NEW FACILITIES FOR ST JOSEPH'S

Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar is pleased to announce the completion today of six new classrooms and hall facilities at St Joseph's First and Middle Schools.

The new facilities are housed in the building which contained the lunch hall for both schools. A new floor within the building has been added with the six classrooms located on the ground floor and an upper floor containing a lunch hall together with immediately adjacent toilets, washing facilities and a storeroom.

The building of these new facilities has taken place over an eight-week period during the summer. The new facility incorporates insulation between the floors. The classrooms provide a spacious environment with the latest in low consumption LED lighting technology throughout the whole building. Additionally the new build incorporates novel design ideas to cool the building during the warmer summer term and double glazed windows to provide a warmer classroom environment in winter.

Minister for Education, Gilbert Licudi, QC, said:

"This is yet another capital project completed over the summer which adds much needed facilities to two schools. This follows the extension to Notre Dame last year, an extension to St Martin's which is shortly to be completed, the start of the building of the new St Bernard's First and Middle Schools and other refurbishment projects which are ongoing. All of these are part of the Government's drive to improve not just the financial and human resources in our schools but also the buildings and facilities for the education of our children."