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Leakey Foundation visits Gibraltar

The Gibraltar Museum recently hosted a visit of board members and major donors of the Leakey Foundation. Founded in 1968, it provides grants to many of the world's major studies of human prehistory and encourages the funding of ground-breaking research. The Foundation is the only U.S. funding organization wholly committed to human origins research. Among its distinguished recipients have been Jane Goodall and Dian Fossey.

The distinguished visitors were shown Gorham's and Vanguard Caves by members of the Gibraltar Museum. They were given the opportunity of seeing the entire Neanderthal landscape, including the Catalan Bay Sand Dune, from the sea. They were briefed on all aspects of the work being carried out by the Gibraltar Museum and also of the plans for nomination for World Heritage Status.

The visit came at the request of the Foundation who were very aware of the cutting-edge results that are being published from Gibraltar and wanted to see this very special site first hand. The visitors were hugely impressed by the magnitude of the caves and landscape and also by the quality of the scientific work which has been generated.

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