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### New Port Authority Recruit qualifies as a Vessel Traffic Services (VTS) Operator

The Gibraltar Port Authority has announced that its latest recruit has successfully qualified as a VTS Operator following an extensive period of training in the UK. Shane Ramagge was appointed as a trainee VTS Operator in mid-December and attended the South Tyneside College near Newcastle in early January for a rigorous 7-week course which provided his VHF radio, radar and VTS training before his final assessment by the college at the end of February. Shane is now fully qualified to operate in the VTS office, and joins his other colleagues maintaining the 24 hour coverage of BGTW ensuring the navigational safety of vessel movements in and around the coast of Gibraltar.

The Minister for Traffic, Transport & Technical Services, Paul Balban said:

“This, once again, reinforces the Government’s commitment to maintaining the highest standards of safety in our very busy waters.”

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