

Deputy Chief Minister

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<u>Deputy Chief Minister meets EU Migration and Border Management</u> Commissioner

The Deputy Chief Minister Dr Joseph Garcia this afternoon met with EU Migration and Border Management Commissioner Dimitris Avramopolous and discussed the latest developments at the land frontier between Gibraltar and Spain.

Commissioner Avramopolous replaced Commissioner Malmstrom last year.

Dr Garcia presented the Commissioner with a report containing the latest statistical information on the incoming and outgoing delays at the border. He also expressed the concern of the Government at the way in which the works on the Spanish side are adversely affecting the flow of traffic. Indeed, the queue data for March 2015 was worse than for January and February.

The Government have already been informed in previous meetings by the Commission that Gibraltar has done everything that had been requested in terms of complying with the recommendations that had been made. The onus is now clearly on Spain to do the same.