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Guardia Civil board local boat in BGTW

The Government has been informed that the Guardia Civil boarded a local fishing boat with two persons on board inside British Gibraltar Territorial Waters (BGTW) early this afternoon.

The Royal Gibraltar Police was alerted to the incident by the local people on board the boat. An RGP officer sustained slight injuries when he boarded the local boat.

The details of the incident will be released by the RGP.

However, the Government considers that it is totally unacceptable for the Guardia Civil to operate in waters which are not Spanish and over which they have no jurisdiction. It is even worse that they should board a vessel.

The Government and will be raising the matter with the United Kingdom and would like to thank the Royal Gibraltar Police officers involved who went about their duty of upholding the law of Gibraltar in an exemplary manner.