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Government Saddened by Death of Sir Gerald Kaufman MP

Her Majesty's Government of Gibraltar is saddened by the death of Sir Gerald Kaufman MP. Mr Kaufman was a well-respected Labour politician, father of the House of Commons and long-time friend of Gibraltar.

In 2002 Mr Kaufman chaired a cross-Party team of UK MPs who travelled to Gibraltar to observe the sovereignty referendum. Mr Kaufman has always been a firm defender of Gibraltar's right to self-determination and in 2013 called for strong reprisals against Spanish incursions into BGTW and the lengthy border queues imposed on the Rock by our neighbours. Mr Kaufman sponsored the Gibraltar (Maritime Protection) Bill in the House of Commons.

The Government of Gibraltar expresses its deepest condolences to Mr Kaufman's family, friends and colleagues from all sides of the political spectrum at this sad time.