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### **Eurafrica Trail 2017 Starts from Europa Point Tomorrow.**

As announced earlier in the year by the Minister for Sport, the Hon. Steven Linares, and the Minister for the Environment and Climate Change, the Hon. John Cortes, in collaboration with the event organisers, the Eurafrica Trail 2017 will start from Europa Point at approximately 3pm tomorrow afternoon.

The event is the first mountain race in the world to be held between two continents and three countries, with Gibraltar now forming part of the race's third edition. The two previous editions have had over 200 volunteers and 1,000 participants from 9 different countries. Participants will face a new challenge tomorrow as added to the already established stages of the 25 or 50 kms leg in the Alcornocales Natural Park and the final 40kms leg in Chefchaouen, Morocco, participants will now have a 4km vertical climb from Europa Point to O' Hara's Battery (via Mediterranean Steps) to contend with. The Gibraltar Vertical Climb will be the starting point of an unprecedented race which will start tomorrow and be completed over five days, finishing on Sunday the 15th October in Chefchaouen.

The Minister for Sport will start the first participant off, with subsequent runners leaving at regular intervals. Minister Cortes will present prizes at the spectacular St Michael's Cave to those who excel in this gruelling start to this year's edition.

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