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Minister Sacramento Addresses DUP Conference

Minister for Housing and Equality, Samantha Sacramento MP has highlighted that Gibraltar will not fold to pressure and will remain resolutely British as it has been for over three centuries.

The message was delivered at the DUP annual party conference in Belfast where Minister Sacramento was standing in for Chief Minister Fabian Picardo after Brexit negotiations required him to remain in Gibraltar.

There was a warm welcome from the conference which was well attended and attracted media attention.

On Friday night Minister Sacramento dined at the conference top table with DUP leader Arlene Foster and Chancellor of the Exchequer Philip Hammond.

In her address, Minister Sacramento recalled the DUP leader's visit to Gibraltar on National Day and the strong mutual support expressed for the right to self-determination and to remain British.

"The Union Jack, our precious Union Jack, is not a mere flag. To those of us who have endured hard times to secure the continuity of our British heritage, our British values and freedoms, the Union Jack encapsulates who we are as a people," she told the conference.

"Let me assure you that in our efforts and diplomacy to work with Spain and to make Brexit work for all of us, we have not made a single concession on sovereignty. Not one concession on jurisdiction, not one concession on control," she said.