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Success for Team Gibraltar at Conservative Party Conference

Yesterday evening HM Government of Gibraltar was honoured by the support shown to Gibraltar by the Prime Minister, Rt Hon Theresa May MP at the Gibraltar Government Reception at the Conservative Party Conference in Birmingham. It was the first time a Prime Minister has attended the Gibraltar reception at any of the party conferences.

During her address, the Prime Minister expressed the UK's support for Gibraltar throughout Brexit and looking forward to a global Britain. The Chief Minister thanked Prime Minister May for her continued support and hard work in partnership with the Gibraltar team, and reiterated that Britain and Gibraltar will always be stronger together. The Chief Minister was also delighted to present the Prime Minister with a Gibraltar Football Association shirt, personalised with 'May' and '10' on the back.

The Chief Minister presented a personalised GFA shirt to the Foreign Secretary Jeremy Hunt at a bilateral meeting ahead of the reception.

The Chief Minister is grateful to the GFA's Dennis Beiso of the GFA for organising the presentation of the team shirts at the last minute and to Sports & Leisure for personalising them at such notice.

The Chief Minister Fabian Picardo said: "The full and deep support we enjoy from the Prime Minister was evident today as she took the time to attend and address the Gibraltar reception at the Conservative Party Conference. Mrs May has always been part of 'team Gibraltar' – indeed, we met at previous conferences during her time as Home Secretary and she took a great interest in Gibraltar then too – and we can all be proud to count her as our Number 10!"