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Electorate will see through GSD Pretence

Commenting on the GSD's latest statement on public expenditure, the Chief Minister, the Hon Fabian Picardo QC MP, said:

"The comments from the GSD are laughable.

"Mr Azopardi is pretending he is unaware of the grant by the GSD of a contract for a percentage of £1bn of construction projects. That was a contract granted by the GSD in breach of EU law.

"Mr Azopardi is pretending that he has not been surprised by the all-out attack from Mr Clinton against the systems of company borrowing which were introduced by the GSD when he was a Minister.

"Mr Azopardi is pretending that he can hide from the fact that the GSD plan to save £50m is predicated on cutting 20% of jobs in the public sector and civil service, which they have described as 'bloated'.

"The GSD can pretend all they like, but the public see through them. The GSD have been pretending since we took over that Gibraltar would be bankrupt any day. Come election time, the electorate will demonstrate that it does not want people who are pretenders like Mr Azopardi and his thoroughly divided GSD. I have no doubt that the electorate are looking for committed, hard working ministers and a prudent financial management that we have delivered in successful GSLP Liberal Government."