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### **Governor of Gibraltar visits the Borders and Coastguard Agency**

On Friday 10th March 2017 His Excellency The Governor of Gibraltar Lieutenant General Edward Davis CB CBE KStJ visited the Gibraltar Borders and Coastguard Agency ('BCA').

Upon arrival at BCA Headquarters, HE The Governor was introduced to various members of the Agency's Senior Management Team. CEO Andrew Bonfante delivered a presentation outlining the differing aspects of the daily duties at the BCA. Throughout the presentation, HE The Governor offered his thoughts on the challenges faced by the Agency over the coming years and expressed his desire for Gibraltar to maintain its high levels of security and immigration at each of its ports of entry.

The Governor was then given a tour of BCA HQ and in particular the Training Wing where he was shown a number of articles confiscated in line with aviation security regulations.

His Excellency was later accompanied by CEO Bonfante and members of the BCA's Senior Management Team to the Airport where they were met and shown around by the Terminal's CEO Terence Lopez. During his stay at the Gibraltar Air Terminal the Governor was given an insight into the procedures put in place to ensure the secure running of operations.

Finally, the Frontier was visited whereby HE The Governor managed to spend some time speaking to Officers about their roles and responsibilities.

CEO Bonfante commented: "It was a great honour to welcome His Excellency to our Headquarters and other areas of operation today. The visit allowed the Agency to showcase the way in which we carry out our important day-to-day duties, which are imperative to securing Gibraltar's safety. We are delighted to have been given the opportunity to show him around."