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Fire Service Officers attend Incident Command Courses in UK

Two Officers from the Gibraltar Fire and Rescue Service have recently completed an Incident Command course at the Fire Service College (FSC) in Moreton-In-Marsh, Gloucestershire, UK.

Sub Officer's Nicholas Poggio and Jared Olivero successfully completed the demanding Incident command level 2 award. This course utilises a blended learning approach over a six week period, involving five pre-course written assignments and 4 practical days spent at the FSC. There they have been assessed as decision makers across an unrivalled range of realistic, dynamic and emotionally charged operational scenarios utilizing the new innovative Blue Hawk, virtual reality, technology. This platform is used for education, training and assessment of incident commanders of operational level up to strategic level.

The two GFRS officers have been awarded the Skills for Justice Award in Intermediate Incident Command in Fire and Rescue Services. This is a UK nationally recognised qualification developed by firefighter subject matter experts at the request of Chief Fire Officers Association (CFOA) through Skills for Justice, the Sector Skills Council for the fire sector. The course is underpinned by the National Occupational Standards. It will equip both our Officers with the necessary skills, knowledge and understanding required as Intermediate Incident Commanders at operational level, allowing them to lead, monitor and support people to resolve operational incidents.