

EURO PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS

It is of vital importance that the British Government takes the necessary legislative action to allow EU nationals living on the Rock to vote in the Euro Parliamentary elections in 2004. It is obscene that EU nationals living in North Africa and other parts of the world have the right to vote in the elections but not those in Gibraltar.

I see the immediate propoganda value to the formation of a 'Keep Gibraltar British' party to contest whatever seat the Gibraltar vote is added on to. But I warn that such a course of action might discredit the election. I would have thought that discussions behind the scenes

might result in a Gibraltar candidate standing for one of the three major parties. However this is minor importance as compared with rectifying the democratic deficit currently on the Rock. I also hope that there will be a huge turnout in Gibraltar.

UNITY

From my position as Chairman of the Group I think that all Gibraltar is pulling together very effectively. Everyone is effectively saying the same thing and not attempting to score petty political points. It is a dignified campaign to secure Gibraltar's future and one that will succeed.

FINAL MESSAGE

Always remember that Gibraltar has many friends across all political parties in both Houses of Parliament. I

can assure the Gibraltarians that that support is strong and that it will continue until the Gibraltar Problem is resolved according to the wishes of the majority of Gibraltarians."

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