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El Real Regimiento de Gibraltar realiza una salva de 21 cañonazos para festejar el cumpleaños del Rey Carlos III

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El jueves 14 de noviembre de 2024, la Compañía del Cuartel General del Real Regimiento de Gibraltar ejecutó una salva real para conmemorar el cumpleaños de Su Majestad el Rey en la Base Naval de Gibraltar.

La ceremonia comenzó con la recepción formal del Ministro Nigel Feetham por parte del Oficial al Mando Real Regimiento de Gibraltar, el Teniente Coronel Moore.

Tras pasar revista y confirmar que los destacamentos de artillería estaban listos, el Teniente Coronel Moore acompañó al Ministro Feetham hasta una atalaya para presenciar la salva de honor.

Exactamente a las 12:00, el Comandante Smith, Oficial de Posición de Artillería (Gun Position Officer, GPO), pidió que comenzara la salva.

Después de la salva de artillería, el Ministro Feetham fue invitado a firmar en el libro de los Oficiales Inspectores antes de que le fuera entregada una vaina conmemorativa.

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ROYAL GIBRALTAR REGIMENT FIRE 21 GUN SALUTE TO CELEBRATE KING CHARLES III'S BIRTHDAY

On Thursday 14 November 2024, the Royal Gibraltar Regiment's Headquarter Company conducted a Royal Gun Salute to celebrate the birthday of His Majesty the King at HM Naval Base, Gibraltar.

The ceremony began with a formal reception of Minister Nigel Feetham by Royal Gibraltar Regiment's Commanding Officer, Lieutenant Colonel Moore.

Following the inspection and confirming the readiness of the gun detachments, Lt Col Moore escorted Minister Feetham to a central vantage point where they were able to view the Gun Salute.

At exactly 1200, Gun Position Officer, Major Smith called out for the first of the twenty one rounds to be fired.

On completion of the gun salute, Minister Feetham was invited to sign the Inspecting Officer's book before being presented with a Shell.

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Editor's Note:

- Customarily fired both onshore and at sea, gun salutes are a sign of respect or welcome. Royal gun salutes are fired on special occasions such as anniversaries and birthdays by military personnel from various locations in London and at saluting stations across the United Kingdom and abroad as a mark of respect and admiration of the monarch. They are traditionally fired from locations in London, Portsmouth, Colchester, Plymouth and York in England, Edinburgh Castle in Scotland, Cardiff in Wales, Hillsborough Castle in Northern Ireland and Gibraltar.
- The firing of gun salutes is a custom dating to the early days of sail. Ships, when on goodwill visits to foreign ports, discharged all their guns to seaward on arrival thus indicating to the authorities ashore that they came in peace with empty guns. In ancient times, even numbers were associated with mourning, therefore the number of these gun salutes was always odd and this tradition has been carried on until today. In London, the honour falls on the King's Troop Royal Horse Artillery in the Royal Parks and the Honourable Artillery Company at the Tower of London.

- The highest number of gun salutes in the UK is 124. This would happen when the Queen and Duke of Edinburgh's birthdays occurred on the same weekend and was given from the Tower of London: twenty-one guns, plus another twenty for it being from a Royal Fortress, plus twenty-one for it being inside the City of London. This figure is then multiplied by two to reach 124.