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Dear Mr Ponce de Leon,

You met my colleagues, Peter Spoor and Sanem Onay, on 25 June 2013 at the British Embassy to talk about the documentary television series, "Jewels of Spain," which you will be producing.

I was interested to hear about this project. It should shed considerable light on the history of the Sephardic community, their journey after their expulsion from Spain in 1492, and the contribution they subsequently made to their new host countries.

As our longest-established religious minority in the UK, the Jewish community has made a long and distinguished contribution to the United Kingdom.

I fully endorse your project which, in these troubled times in the region, should serve as an important reminder of the contribution mutual tolerance and cultural cohesion can make to world peace. I look forward to seeing the programme on a television screen soon.

Yours sincerely,

**Sir David Reddaway
British Ambassador**