

# SECOND SUPPLEMENT TO THE GIBRALTAR GAZETTE

No. 5046 GIBRALTAR Thursday 20th April 2023

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LEGAL NOTICE NO. 94 OF 2023

## GIBRALTAR COINAGE ACT, 1990

### ISSUE OF THE LUCKY COIN COINS NOTICE 2023

In exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 2 of the Gibraltar Coinage Act, 1990, and of all other enabling powers, the Minister responsible for finance has issued the following Notice—

#### **Title and commencement.**

1. This Notice may be cited as the Issue of Lucky Coin Coins Notice 2023 and comes into operation on the day of publication.

#### **Issue of new coins.**

2.(1) New coins of gold in the denomination of 1/25<sup>th</sup> Crowns shall be made.

(2) In the making of the said coins, the millesimal fineness or composition of metals, diameters, shapes and other specifications shall be as set out in Part II of the Schedule to the Gibraltar Coinage Act, 1990.

(3) In the making of the said coins, a remedy (that is a variation from the standard weight) shall be allowed as set out in the said Part of the Schedule.

#### **Design of the coins.**

3. The design of the coins authorised by this Notice shall be as follows –

- (a) the obverse design features the Gibraltar Coat of Arms, with the inscription “CHARLES III D G REX F D GIBRALTAR” bordering the edge, together with the date of year and value;
- (b) in the centre on the reverse is the Hindu sign 'OM' or 'AUM', also known as Pranava ('always new'). It dispels negative energy. OM would have been the first sound of creation. Around OM, there are 10 other lucky charms. Some of them are very well known such as the four-leaf clover, the ladybird, the numbers 7 and 8, the Buddha and the horseshoe. There are also symbols for luck that are not that well known. For example, an elephant, a pig, an acorn and a conch shell. The elephant refers to the Indian Hindu god Ganesh who has an elephant head. Ganesh clears the path for one's life. The conch shell is a Hindu symbol of luck, eternity and mystery. A pig in China and Germany stands for prosperity and

therefore happiness. Norwegians like to lay an acorn on the windowsill of their house as it is said to protect against a lightning strike.

**Legal Tender.**

4. The said coins shall be current and legal tender in Gibraltar.

Dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2023.

F R PICARDO,  
Minister responsible for Finance