The Financial Services Commission has today issued a warning to the public regarding Hamiltons Financial Services SL, following the latter's placing of an advertisement in a Gibraltar publication, in which it appears to promote deposit-taking and investment services.

Hamiltons Financial Services SL has never been regulated by the FSC, or licensed under the Banking Ordinance 1992 or the Financial Services Ordinance 1989 to carry on deposit-taking or investment business in or from within Gibraltar.

Enquiries conducted by the FSC suggest that Hamiltons Financial Services SL is based in Spain. Attempts by the FSC to contact the firm have not, to date, been successful.

We therefore urge the public to exercise appropriate caution in respect of this firm. People are also able to verify whether a firm is licensed by checking our "Regulated Entities" section on our website.

Any persons who are already involved in any dealings with the above entity and have concerns should contact the Manager, Enforcement (+350) 40283 or by e-mail to <u>enforcement@fsc.gi</u>.