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100,000 overseas voters wanted for British general election

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THE British Electoral Commission has set themselves a target of 100,000 new overseas voters for the next British general election. "During our campaign for overseas voters before the UK Parliamentary election in 2010, just over 40,000 overseas voter registration forms were downloaded from the Commission's website. For the elections in May 2015, the Commission has set itself a stretching target of 100,000 new registrations via the new online system from British citizens living abroad," the Commission said in a statement. They will be launching a campaign over the coming months urging expatriates, who have lived outside Britain for under 15 years to register to vote. The Conservative Party have promised to abolish the 15 year rule for overseas voters if they are elected at the next general election. But already there have been calls for all expats to be able to vote in the poll.



Driver crashes into Calvia petrol station

Calvia.—A 20-year-old driver had a lucky escape early yesterday morning after she crashed into a petrol station in Calvia. She suffered only minor injuries and a disaster was only averted thanks to the quick response of the local fire brigade. The vehicle hit one of the petrol pumps and petrol began flowing out on to the forecourt. The

fire brigade were on the scene within minutes and brought the situation under control. The driver, allegedly failed a police alcohol check, and was taken to hospital where she received treatment for cuts and bruises. She is believed to have been returning home to Capdella after a night out on the town.