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THE BALEARIC GOVERNMENT SAYS THE REGION
CAN NOT TAKE ANY MORE SUMMER TOURISTS

“AS A GOVERNMENT OUR TASK IS TO GET THE BEST POSSIBLE DEAL FOR BRITISH NATIONALS IN SPAIN”

● The British Ambassador to Spain, Simon Manley CMG, told the *Bulletin* yesterday that the British government is doing all it can to protect the best interests of Britons living in Spain and across Europe.

● Manley stressed the very close relationship between the UK and Spain and that it will only get stronger because both countries need each other:

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The British Ambassador yesterday. PHOTO: JAUME MOREY

PP to vote in fresh bid to govern

● Spanish acting Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy said yesterday his conservative Partido Popular would hold a leadership vote next week on a reform pact proposed by centrists Ciudadanos as a condition of their support to form a long-awaited government.

Agreement between Ciudadanos (“Citizens”) and the PP - which won the most votes in a June election re-run but fell short of a majority - would mark the biggest step yet in ending a near eight-month political morass. Until now Ciudadanos had said only that it would abstain in any parliamentary confidence vote to

install Rajoy as prime minister.

Though the PP would still need support from other forces to form a stable government and press on with an economic recovery, a shift from Ciudadanos, Spain’s fourth-biggest party, could encourage others to ease objections to a conservative government.

Rajoy told a news conference that the Executive Committee - a body of about 100 people largely loyal to Rajoy - would vote on 17 August on whether to back a six-point political reform package proposed on Tuesday by Ciudadanos leader Albert Rivera.