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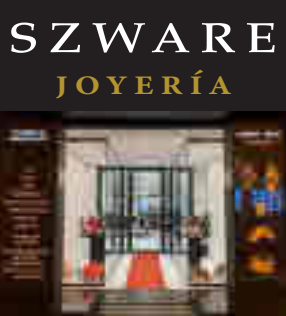
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● Overnight  
temperatures  
up to 37C

**Palma.**— Mallorca is becoming increasingly tropical. Overnight Wednesday into Thursday, practically the whole of Mallorca experienced ‘torrid’ conditions; the temperature didn’t fall below 25C. The one weather station on the island where it was below 25 was Portopi in Palma - 23.9C, recorded at 1.10am. The highest temperature was 37.2C in Banyalbufar. This was registered at ten minutes to one o’clock. Around dawn, temperatures were at levels that would almost have qualified as a yellow heat alert. At 6.10 in Pollensa the temperature was 35.7C; at 6.30 in Puerto Pollensa it was 35.1C. The minimums were headed by Banyalbufar with 33C, then Port Soller (32C) and Lluc (30C). And the future does not look very encouraging. Three in four Spaniards will be highly exposed to tropical nights by 2050, according to an analysis carried out by Accumin Intelligence. The study warns that the number of Spaniards exposed to tropical nights (those where the ambient temperature remains above 20 degrees Celsius, making it difficult to get a good night’s sleep) has been rising steadily since the last century. 46 per cent of the Spanish population (23 million people) are currently at risk of experiencing more than 25 tropical nights a year, compared with the 25 per cent who were in this situation in the last quarter of the 20th century.

## REFORM UK COULD COST BRITISH EXPATS IN SPAIN RIGHTS TO SOCIAL BENEFITS

**Palma.**— Nigel Farage’s Reform UK party wants to exclude foreigners – including European Union (EU) citizens residing in the UK – from social benefits should it rise to power, the party’s economic spokesperson, the former member of the Conservative Party Robert Jenrick, confirmed this week. The proposal would involve renegotiating the Brexit deal with the EU, which in turn would affect British expatriates living in the EU, as they too would lose equivalent rights under the principle of reciprocity. Under the UK’s withdrawal agreement from the EU, EU nationals with permanent residence permits in the UK – known as ‘settled status’ – are entitled to these benefits on an equal footing with British citizens.