



Today Formentera's Local Security Board convened for a meeting that was chaired by Ana Juan, president of the Consell de Formentera, and Enrique Sánchez Navarrete, island director of the State. Josep Marí, Formentera's interior councillor; Alejandra Ferrer, vice-president and representative of Gent per Formentera; Rafael Ramírez, social welfare councillor and representative of the PSOE, and Lorenzo Córdoba, representative of Sa Unió, also attended. Among the members of law enforcement in attendance were Félix Ramos, chief of Formentera Local Police; Manuel Hernández, chief commissioner of the National Police of Eivissa; Juan Carlos González, commander of the Civil Guard; a representative of the Emergency and Interior Headquarters of the Balearic Government, and other authorities.

"As every spring, we ask that the presence of the security forces on the island be reinforced", said President Juan, "and we ask for a continuation of the smooth coordination with Formentera Local Police and other emergency corps that we have witnessed in recent seasons". President Juan also underscored "the need for rangers in Formentera's natural areas, as well as Maritime Civil Guard officers". She additionally called for more agents of the Balearic Islands Institute of Nature (*Ibanat*) on the island "to be able to deal with forest fires".

Meeting participants also discussed coordinated actions in response to boats arriving on the island with migrants, the support to be given to them and efforts to subsequently remove the boats from the coast, as highlighted by the councilor Josep Marí. Attendees also called for a greater wintertime presence of security forces in public squares and areas.

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