

News story: PM's call with Prime Minister Gentiloni: 17 Oct 2017

A Downing Street spokesperson said

This afternoon the Prime Minister spoke to Prime Minister Gentiloni of Italy ahead of Thursday's European Council.

Prime Minister Gentiloni expressed his appreciation for the choice of Florence for the Prime Minister's speech and the spirit in which it was conducted.

Both agreed on the importance of continued constructive progress in the UK's exit negotiations and expressed a desire to provide reassurance on citizens' rights as early as possible.