<u>Jeremy Corbyn pays tribute to heroism</u> <u>of D-Day troops</u>

Ahead of attending the 75th anniversary commemoration of the D-Day landings in Portsmouth, **Jeremy Corbyn MP**, **leader of the Labour Party**, said:

"The troops that landed on the beaches of France 75 years ago showed unimaginable heroism. Many laid down their lives in the fight against fascism.

"People will have heard the recent serialisation of Anne Frank's Diaries on BBC radio. It was heart-breaking to hear her excitement and optimism about the Allied landings in Normandy, shortly before she was transported to Auschwitz, and then Bergen-Belsen.

"It was a poignant reminder of the evils of Nazism, and why its defeat by the Allied forces was so essential for humanity.

"We must not just commemorate those who fought, and died, but honour them by opposing the forces of hatred today.

"Only by standing up to hate, oppression and war can we protect international cooperation and peace."