Edinburgh duo in Scotland squad for upcoming matches against Italy and France,

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Gordon Strachan today announced his Scotland squad for the upcoming matches against Italy and France, as he prepares for the start of the FIFA World Cup 2018 qualifiers later this year.

Hibs' midfielder John McGinn who was Man of the Match in Scotland's victory over Denmark in March retains his place and is joined by Hearts' defender Callum Paterson.

The squad will be based in Malta for a summer training camp and have agreed two matches against world-class opposition.

They will play Italy in Malta's Ta' Qali National Stadium on Sunday, 29th May and complete their summer tour against France in Stade Saint-Symphorien, Metz, on Saturday, 4th June.

Scotland squad to face Italy and France:

<u>Goalkeepers</u>

Scott Bain (Dundee) David Marshall (Cardiff City) Allan McGregor (Hull City)

<u>Defenders</u>

Christophe Berra (Ipswich Town) Gordon Greer (Brighton and Hove Albion) Grant Hanley (Blackburn Rovers) Alan Hutton (Aston Villa) Russell Martin (Norwich City) Charlie Mulgrew (Celtic) Callum Paterson (Heart of Midlothian) Andrew Robertson (Hull City) Lee Wallace (Rangers)

<u>Midfielders</u>

Ikechi Anya (Watford)
Barry Bannan (Sheffield Wednesday)
Oliver Burke (Nottinghaam Forest)
Darren Fletcher (West Bromwich Albion)
Shaun Maloney (Hull City)
James McArthur (Crystal Palace)
John McGinn (Hibernian)
Barrie McKay (Rangers)
Matt Phillips (Queens Park Rangers)
Matt Ritchie (Bournemouth)
Robert Snodgrass (Hull City)

<u>Forwards</u>

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Steven Fletcher (Sunderland*)
Chris Martin (Derby County)
Ross McCormack (Fulham)
Steven Naismith (Norwich City)
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* on loan at Olympique Marseille