

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12TH JULY 2016**

**Question**

Will the Minister undertake to establish why the summary forensic report for the Operation Rectangle investigation was removed from the States of Jersey Police website, inform members of the reasons, and ensure that it is reinstated and if not, why not?

**Answer**

The States of Jersey Police are not entirely clear which report is being referred to, although are aware that the Senior Investigating Officer during the initial phase of Operation Rectangle chose to post a report on the police website.

Such an action could potentially undermine or prejudice any future criminal proceedings and is not, therefore, in accordance with current Police procedure and practice.

In addition, the Independent Jersey Care Inquiry has considered Operation Rectangle as part of its Terms of Reference and the Inquiry Panel is expected to submit a final report by the end of this year.

For these reasons, the States of Jersey Police will not be posting any Operation Rectangle reports on their website.