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## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, SPORT AND CULTURE BY DEPUTY S.Y. MÉZEC OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20TH JUNE 2017

## Question

Following the disclosure in answer to written question 1(152) that two aircraft were enrolled on Jersey's aircraft registry, and the answers to oral question 1(202) on 28th March 2017 on this matter, what progress, if any, has been made in expanding and improving the registry?

## Answer

In late 2016 it was agreed that no further expenditure of public money, beyond maintaining its basic operation and insurance, should be made on the current operating model for the Jersey Aircraft Registry (JAR). This was intended to allow government to find a solution to the underperformance of the JAR by July 2017 without incurring significant additional costs.

Our stated intention is to redevelop the JAR into a fully modernised and effective registry. The aim is to seek external investment to rebrand and promote the JAR while making the necessary amendments to Jersey's legislation to allow JAR to be more flexible and attractive to a global market.

I cannot comment on the current state of negotiations in that regard, as a degree of confidentiality is required during discussions.