

**CHIEF OFFICER OF THE STATES OF JERSEY POLICE FORCE: APPOINTMENT**

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## **PROPOSITION**

**THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion -**

in accordance with Article 9 of the Police Force (Jersey) Law 1974, as amended, to appoint Mr. Graham Power Q.P.M. M.A. as Chief Officer of the States of Jersey Police Force with effect from 1st December 2000.

HOME AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

## REPORT

The Home Affairs Committee is recommending the appointment of Mr. Graham Power Q.P.M. M.A. as the new Chief Officer of the States of Jersey Police.

Mr. Power is currently the Assistant Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland, in which post he works directly with Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Constabulary in inspecting Scottish policing.

Mr. Power has a wide range of senior level experience which includes leading the policing of the 1997 Commonwealth Conference, working directly with the Justice Minister in addressing issues arising from the enquiry into the death of Stephen Lawrence, planning and commanding over 60 Royal and State visits, as well as leading an independent enquiry into the handling by the Grampian Police of the murder and abduction of a local boy.

### Biography

Born: 2nd June 1947 in Middlesbrough

Married with a daughter and two sons

1966 Started Police career in Middlesbrough in the North East of England. This Force subsequently became part of the Cleveland Constabulary. As Chief Inspector and Superintendent held responsibility for force operations, major incident planning and territorial policing.

1988 **Chief Superintendent, North Yorkshire**

1991 **Assistant Chief Constable, Lothian and Borders Police  
(a Force of 3,400 staff)**

Responsibility for management of the Force Budget.  
Corporate Planning - re-structured the Force in response to local government re-organisation.  
Executive Head of Personnel.  
Executive Head of Information Technology.

1994-8 **Deputy Chief Constable, Lothian and Borders Police**

Supported the Chief Constable in the day to day running of the Force.

Responsibilities included -

investigation of all complaints and disciplinary issues;  
planning and command responsibilities for an average of 60 Royal/State visits a year;  
addressing policing issues arising from one of the United Kingdom's largest tourist populations;  
planning and leading the policing of the 1997 Commonwealth Conference;  
led an independent enquiry into the handling by Grampian Police of the murder and abduction of a local boy.

1998- **Assistant Inspector of Constabulary for Scotland**

Working directly with HM Inspector of Constabulary in inspecting Scottish policing.  
Reviewing complaints against the police.  
Advising senior civil servants and ministers on policing policy and proposed legislative change.  
Working directly with the Justice Minister in addressing issues arising from the enquiry into the death of Stephen Lawrence.

### The selection procedure

Mr. Power was chosen by a selection panel comprised of the President and Vice-President of the Home Affairs Committee, the Vice-President and Chief Executive of the Human Resources Committee, the Chief Executive of the Policy and Resources Committee, and the Chairman of the Police Authority. The panel was advised by Her Majesty's Inspector of Constabulary.

The entire selection process followed Home Office guidelines which were published in 1996 and adopted by the Home

Affairs Committee earlier this year.

## **Housing consent**

By Act No. 18 dated 8th February 1999, the Housing Committee agreed that a five-year consent under Regulation 1(1)(j) of the Housing (General Provisions) (Jersey) Regulations 1970, as amended, would be granted to the new Chief Officer, States of Jersey Police upon retirement of the current postholder. This was supported by the Human Resources Committee.