



STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 18th February 2014

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Minister for External Relations. R&O.20/2014.

Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Specified Date (Latvia)) (Jersey) Order 2014.
Minister for External Relations. R&O.21/2014.

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Presented: 12th February 2014.
Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel. P.114/2013.
Com.

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Minister for External Relations.

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H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

(a) – Written Questions
(attached)

1. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the availability of a Web based Income Support calculator.
2. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the Interim Population policy.
3. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding anomalies in the Interim Population policy.
4. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding an assessment of the use of zero hours contracts.
5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the potential for the introduction of a living wage in Jersey.
6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré of St. Lawrence regarding the annual Report of the Fiscal Policy Panel.
7. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré of St. Lawrence regarding an update of Summary Table A in the Medium Term Financial Plan.
8. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré of St. Lawrence regarding an update on the General Revenue Income.
9. The Chairman of the Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the Panel's anticipated work programme.
10. The Chairman of the Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the current drugs policy of the Home Affairs Department.



11. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the contamination of groundwater by the process known as 'Fracking'.
12. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisssier of St. Saviour regarding CICRA and Jersey Telecoms.
13. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisssier of St. Saviour regarding companies connecting to the JT network.
14. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade regarding enforcement matters.
15. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the arrest and removal of a lady known as HG.
16. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the clarification of the law of defamation.
17. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Rules of Court in respect of the treatment of witnesses.
18. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding an incident in Winston Churchill Park in May 2011.
19. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding Certificates of Service for States of Jersey Police officers.

(b) – Oral Questions

(120 minutes)

1. Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Will the Minister inform the Assembly whether he authorized the use of public resources to prosecute local fishermen for time expired certificates of training under the Shipping (Fishing Vessels - Safety Training) (Jersey) Order 2004 and, if so, would he explain why this was considered preferable to the direct provision of training by the Harbourmaster and how he considers imposing fines on fishermen assists the industry in difficult economic times?”
2. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Can the Minister advise whether a need for additional funding has been identified for respite services for families and young adults with complex needs and advise what contingency plans, if any, have been made, for when the present contract with Highlands Luxury Care Home terminates on 31st May this year?”
3. The Connétable of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Would the Minister advise whether the current pay and conditions of Condor Ferries’ crew was a consideration when the decision was made to extend the company’s permit to operate car and passenger ferry services to and from the Island and, if not, why not, given the recent industrial action taken by staff?”



4. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Will the Minister explain to Members the legal basis for the Department’s patient travel policy?”
5. Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services –

“Further to my recent question regarding the scrap metal facility at Bellozanne, would the Minister not concede that removing upholstery from vehicles before crushing would be an environmentally superior option?”
6. Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Would the Minister provide an update on the proposed developments for social/affordable homes for purchase on the former Normans timber yard and Jersey College for Girls sites and South Hill?”
7. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Would the Minister explain what steps, if any, he is taking to ensure the continuity and reliability of fast ferry services between St. Helier and St. Malo?”
8. Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –

“Will the Minister confirm that it is his Department’s policy not to provide carpets or flooring for its properties and, if so would he advise whether he thinks that it is reasonable and appropriate to expect tenants to provide their own flooring before moving into a property?”
9. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Home Affairs –

“Given the Police have stated that a forensic investigation has failed to identify who was behind the threatening letters sent to a number of individuals linked to the case involving the former Deputies Pitman, can the Minister clarify whether anyone was actually interviewed and whether or not DNA testing was undertaken?”
10. Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade will ask the following question of H.M. Attorney General –

“Will H.M. Attorney General advise the Assembly whether he ensures that States Departments with delegated regulatory authority, such as Planning and Harbours, comply with his Guidance (issued January 2008) regarding the circumstances under which suspected infractions should or should not be referred for prosecution; whether Departmental referrals are monitored for compliance and what action, if any, is taken if it is considered there is non-compliance or a lack of consistency?”



11. Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Would the Minister, as the shareholder representative, confirm that the Gigabit project of JT is meeting its installation and financial targets and that, when completed, it will come within budget?”

12. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Will the Minister explain to Members how the Department’s recruitment and selection process ensures that the doctors, psychologists and consultants employed in the Island are skilled and experienced to a high standard?”

13. The Connétable of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Within any permit or Service Level Agreement between the States of Jersey and Condor is there any protection for the public to cover pre-payment to the shipping company for transport/travel and, if so, where are these funds held and who manages and controls them until the date the clients travel?”

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for Health and Social Services

2nd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Minister for Treasury and Resources will make a statement regarding the proposed development of the Esplanade Quarter.

The Chairman of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel will make a statement regarding the review of P.164/2013 (Draft European Union Legislation (Implementation) (Jersey) Law 201-).

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Committee of Inquiry: planning applications by the Channel Islands Co-operative Society Ltd. P.102/2013.

Lodged: 28th August 2013.

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour.

Draft Aquatic Resources (Jersey) Law 201-. P.114/2013.

Lodged: 24th September 2013.

Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Aquatic Resources (Jersey) Law 201- (P.114/2013): comments. P.114/2013.

Presented: 12th February 2014.

Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel.

Com.

Draft Aquatic Resources (Jersey) Law 201- (P.114/2013): amendment. P.114/2013.

Lodged: 4th February 2014.

Minister for Economic Development.

Amd.



Draft Proceeds of Crime and Terrorism (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.163/2013.
Lodged: 13th December 2013.
Chief Minister.

Draft Proceeds of Crime and Terrorism (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.163/2013): amendment. P.163/2013.
Lodged: 28th January 2014. Amd.
Chief Minister.

Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 10) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.1/2014.
Lodged: 6th January 2014.
Minister for Social Security.

Jersey Employment Tribunal: appointment of members. P.8/2014.
Lodged: 20th January 2014.
Minister for Social Security.

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

4th March 2014

Draft Shipping (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.3/2014.
Lodged: 9th January 2014.
Minister for Economic Development.

Draft Drainage (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.6/2014.
Lodged: 15th January 2014.
Minister for Transport and Technical Services.

Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Amendment No. 6) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.7/2014.
Lodged: 17th January 2014.
States Employment Board.

Jersey Overseas Aid Commission: re-appointment of non-States Commissioner. P.11/2014.
Lodged: 31st January 2014.
Senator P.F. Routier.

18th March 2014

Elected Speaker of the States. P.160/2013.
Lodged: 10th December 2013.
Connétable of St. Helier.

Elected Speaker of the States (P.160/2013): comments. P.160/2013.
Presented: 16th December 2013. Com.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Draft Employment and Discrimination Tribunal (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.4/2014.
Lodged: 14th January 2014.
Minister for Social Security.

Draft Discrimination (Jersey) Law 2013 (Appointed Day) Act 201-. P.5/2014.
Lodged: 14th January 2014.
Minister for Social Security.



Draft Financial Services Ombudsman (Jersey) Law 201-. Lodged: 21st January 2014. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i>	P.9/2014.
Interim Population Policy: 2014 – 2015. Lodged: 30th January 2014. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.10/2014.
Draft Taxation (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. Lodged: 3rd February 2014. <i>Minister for External Relations.</i>	P.13/2014.
Esplanade Quarter developments: approval by the States. Lodged: 10th February 2014. <i>Senator A. Breckon.</i>	P.15/2014.
Piquet House: cancellation of sale and future use. Lodged: 11th February 2014. <i>Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade.</i>	P.16/2014.
<u>1st April 2014</u>	
Sunstone Holdings Ltd. and De Lec Ltd. – <i>ex gratia</i> payments to investors. Lodged: 26th July 2013. <i>Senator A. Breckon.</i>	P.90/2013.
Sunstone Holdings Ltd. and De Lec Ltd. – <i>ex gratia</i> payments to investors (P.90/2013) – comments. Presented: 23rd September 2013. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.90/2013. Com.
Draft Passports (False Statements and Forgery) (Jersey) Law 201-. Lodged: 6th February 2014. <i>Minister for Home Affairs.</i>	P.14/2014.
Ratification of the Agreement on the Exchange of Information relating to Tax Matters between the Government of Jersey and the Government of Hungary. Lodged: 3rd February 2014. <i>Minister for External Relations.</i>	P.12/2014.
Draft Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Amendment No. 10) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. Lodged: 14th February 2014. <i>Minister for External Relations.</i>	P.17/2014.



29th April 2014

Draft European Union Legislation (Implementation) (Jersey) Law 201-
Lodged: 16th December 2013.
Minister for External Relations.

P.164/2013.

M.N. DE LA HAYE
Greffier of the States

13th February 2014

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2014 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 19th and Thursday 20th February 2014.



Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.19/2014.

This Order further amends the Community Provisions (Restrictive Measures – Libya) (Jersey) Order 2011, to give effect in Jersey to Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 74/2014 of 28 January 2014 (OJ No. L 26, 29.1.2014, p. 1), the effect of which is to remove one entity from the list set out in Annex III to Regulation (EU) No. 204/2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya.

The Order comes into force the day after it is made.

The Order was made on 13th February 2014 and came into force on 14th February 2014.

R&O.20/2014.

This Order amends the Community Provisions (Restrictive Measures – Tunisia) (Jersey) Order 2011, to give effect in Jersey to Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No. 81/2014 of 30 January 2014 (OJ No. L 28, 31.1.2014, p. 2), the effect of which is to replace the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies whose funds and economic resources are frozen, set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No. 101/2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Tunisia.

The Order comes into force the day after it is made.

The Order was made on 13th February 2014 and came into force on 14th February 2014.

R&O.21/2014.

This Order amends the Schedule to the Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Jersey) Regulations 2008 by inserting the date upon which the tax information exchange agreement between Jersey and Latvia will come into force, this date being 1st March 2014.

The Order was made on 13th February 2014 and will come into force on 1st March 2014.



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Following his response to question 7837 on 24th September 2013 in which he stated *that “Good progress has been made on creating a web-based Income Support calculator.... it is anticipated that the calculator will be available shortly”* can the Minister yet state when the calculator will appear?

Will he further state whether he is in a position to release “The Income Support Policy Guidelines document” which he stated *“has been comprehensively reviewed over the last few months and will be reissued later this year”* and, if not, when will it be available?”

2. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister explain why, despite his response to an oral question on population policy asked on 4th February 2014, his interim policy fails to address the 2013 housing projections which reveal the need to house an additional 550 households by 2016 over net nil migration with a total of an extra 1,610 units of accommodation needed?

Can the Chief Minister justify such an increase in short term demand for housing when the waiting list for social housing is already 700 plus?

Does the Chief Minister accept that this policy, described as a “policy of stability”, if continued, would create additional demand for housing amounting to some 7,000 units by 2035?

Does the Chief Minister recognize that his policy, if maintained, produces large increases in population for relatively small gains in dependency ratios over the short and medium terms?

Does he accept that replacing 500 “net registered” migrants in 2010 with 400 “net licensed” migrants in 2012 continues to fail to meet his stated targets for 325 total net inward migration?”

3. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister give details of the ‘anomalies’ (referred to by the Assistant Minister in his presentation of the Interim Population policy) in the declarations made by employers under the new Control of Housing and Work manpower returns when compared with the previous system?

Will he expand on the graph on pages 22- 28 of the IPP report to show the changes in licensed staff and total staff employed under licences over the period shown?

How will the general principle of granting permission for licensed and registered staff in support of activities which have high economic value (pages 20 – 26) be used to control migration when the finance sector recovers and seeks to significantly expand using highly skilled and expert migrant staff in the light of the trend revealed by the table “Profile of migration 2010 -2012” (pages 17 - 22) which indicates large numbers of “registered” migrant workers being replaced by “licensed” workers over the period?



Does the Chief Minister accept that by 2016 under his interim “policy of stability” the population of those in private households will have grown by 2,400 to stand at 99,500 and the total population will have exceeded the previous limit of 100,000?”

4. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Following his response to question 8097 in which he stated that “*the current database is not able to determine whether the zero hours arrangement was to provide cover for temporary, short-term or urgent absence*”, what system, if any, will the Chief Minister put into place in order to assess whether these arrangements constitute genuine use and not abuse of zero hours and, if not, what information is he preparing to contribute to those officers charged with investigating the extent of use of zero-hours contracts in the public sector?”

If, in the course of the investigation, it is revealed that there is significant abuse of zero-hours contracts in particular departments, will he commit himself to eliminating such practice?

If the hours contributed by the number of those who were active on zero-hours contracts (1157) in the month ending 31st March 2012 were representative and added to the departmental FTE figures, by how much would FTE figures increase by department?”

5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Is the Minister in a position to report back to the Assembly, as requested in P.37/2013 (‘Living wage for Jersey – investigation’), on the results of his investigation into the potential for the introduction of a living wage in Jersey and, if not, will he state why and inform members when he will be in a position to do so?”

6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré of St. Lawrence –

“Further to the remarks made by the Fiscal Policy Panel in recommendation 6 which appears on printed page 7 of their Annual report published on 5th November 2013 (and available on the 2013 Treasury and Resources reports and documents page of www.gov.je), would the Minister provide the following:

- a) a financial forecast for the current and next 3 years including updated income projections;
- b) proposed movements and projected year end balances on the Consolidated Fund, Stabilisation Fund and Strategic Reserve for the current year and next 3 years;
- c) data which shows what happened to these funds in the last 3 years; and,
- d) a financial forecast showing the surpluses and deficits adjusted to recognise the economic impacts?”

7. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré of St. Lawrence –

“Would the Minister provide an updated version of Summary Table A as included on page 144 of the Medium Term Financial Plan (2013-2015) (P.69/2012) for the years 2013, 2014, 2015 and 2016?”



8. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré of St. Lawrence –

“Given that the graph for General Revenue Income provided on page 1 of the section ‘supplementary notes on income forecasts for budget 2014 (September 2013)’ (R.8/2014 refers) (“page 1”), appears to indicate a drop in forecast revenue in the order of £30m, would the Minister provide an updated forecast for the years 2013 to 2016 inclusive, utilising the revenue figures used in the Long Term Revenue Plan as referred to on page 1, using updated expenditure forecasts, and presenting such forecast in the format used in table 4.2 on page 25 of the 2012 budget (P159/2011)?”

9. The Chairman of the Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Will the Chairman provide a summary of the anticipated work programme for the remainder of the term, including any current and new reviews and state what policy areas will be a priority for the panel in both departments?”

10. The Chairman of the Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“In the light of Report SR8/2013 regarding “Customs and Immigration Service: resources for prevention of importation of illegal drugs” presented in May last year, will the Chairman state whether he is now satisfied that the current drugs policy of the Home Affairs department is fit for purpose and advise what areas of concern he still has, if any?”

11. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement –

“Does the Minister accept that in the USA, fracturing of underground rock by the process known as ‘fracking’ has caused contamination of groundwater with both the gas and chemicals used in the process?”

Given that Jersey’s geology is such that substantial amounts of groundwater flow through faults and crevices in the rock below, will the Minister guarantee to commission a comprehensive study of the possible risks associated with fracking locally, before any consideration of using the process is entered into?”

12. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour –

“Would the Minister confirm whether the CICRA supports a "level playing field" for companies who wish to connect to the JT as wholesale customers for the purpose of retailing office telephone systems?”

How is the CICRA promoting a "level playing field" and when will it be in place?”

13. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour –

“Is the Minister as the sole shareholder in JT and the representative of the public interest, satisfied that there exists a "level playing field" for companies connecting to the JT network as wholesale customers to promote the sale of office telephone systems? If not, why not?”



14. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade –

“Will the Minister explain why in his reply to my written question on 21st January 2014 about Planning enforcement matters in particular *“those matters which were subject of recent decisions of the Royal Court to allow appeals against enforcement action previously taken by his Department”* he replied *“Taking recently to mean the last 12 months , the Royal Court has not allowed any appeals made against the serving of enforcement notices”*.”

Whereas on 29th October 2013 , after investigation by the *Amicus Curiae* appointed by the Court into an enforcement matter and consequent convictions for enforcement offences, the Royal Court was advised *“that there were grounds for concern over the validity of an enforcement notice which had been served...there were technical procedural irregularities and ...the Crown no longer views it as being in the public interest to continue with these charges”* and therefore did not oppose the appeal against prosecution, resulting in the Royal Court quashing the convictions, awarding the appellant costs.

Will he now reconsider his reply, explain why this was not disclosed in his reply to my original question and provide the Assembly with a complete and wholly accurate reply?”

15. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister explain, with reference to previous questions on matters on the arrest and removal from the Island of the lady known as HG:

1. What steps, if any, the Safeguarding Officer has taken to discuss her report with HG?
2. When the report will be completed?
3. When will the report be released into the public domain, and if the report is not to be released, why not?”

16. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Attorney General -

- (a) confirm whether the law differentiates between a person who libels another and a person who repeats the libel by publishing it in a written form;
- (b) outline whether there are any exemptions to the law of defamation for government departments and public bodies?”



17. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will H.M. Attorney General state:

1. whether the Rules of Court for the Royal Court, Magistrates Court, Petty Debts Court, Industrial and other Tribunals allow witnesses or people likely to be called as witnesses to:
 - (a) be present in court/hearing and hear the oral evidence of other witnesses to the case in question before giving their own evidence;
 - (b) have sight of, or knowledge of, the witness statements made by other witnesses before giving evidence;
 - (c) hear the legal arguments between the parties/ prosecution and defence and judge/chairman before giving evidence;
 - (d) discuss with other witnesses their evidence before giving it in the court/hearing/tribunal, or have knowledge of the evidence given by other witnesses.
2. whether any of 1 (a), (b) (c), (d) would be prejudicial to a fair hearing of the case in question; and,
3. whether any of 1 (a), (b) (c), or (d) would be compatible with Article 6 of the European Convention on Human Rights ie: the Right to a Fair Hearing?

18. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister advise members –

- (a) what prosecutions, if any, took place following an incident involving young people in Winston Churchill Park, St. Brelade on 13th May 2011;
- (b) whether complaints were made against two Police Officers in connection with this incident; and,
- (c) what the result of any investigation was into the complaints outlined in (b), including the nature of the investigation and whether any disciplinary hearings or charges were brought against the officers concerned?”

19. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister confirm that an Officer of 31 years’ service would normally be entitled to a Certificate of Service signed by the Chief Officer of Police? Will he explain the reasons why such an officer would not receive such a certificate for his service?”



ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

2014

1st Session 2014

March 4th	Economic Development	Housing
March 18th	Planning and Environment	Chief Minister
April 1st	Social Security	Transport and Technical Services
April 29th	External Relations	Chief Minister
May 13th	Home Affairs	Treasury and Resources
June 3rd	Education, Sport and Culture	Chief Minister
June 17th	Health and Social Services	Economic Development
July 1st	Housing	Chief Minister
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2nd Session 2014

September 9th	Transport and Technical Services	Chief Minister
September 22nd (Monday)	External Relations	Home Affairs
November 25th	Treasury and Resources	Chief Minister
December 9th	Education, Sport and Culture	Health and Social Services