STATES OF JERSEY



PLÉMONT HOLIDAY VILLAGE – ACQUISITION BY THE PUBLIC AND SALE TO THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR JERSEY (P.90/2012) – SECOND AMENDMENT (P.90/2012 Amd.(2)) – AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 11th December 2012 by Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour

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In the proposed new paragraph (a) for the words "of 10 years" substitute the words "of up to 50 years as agreed between the Minister for Treasury and Resources and the Trust during the negotiations and at a rate of interest agreed between the Minister and the Trust".

DEPUTY J.M. MAÇON OF ST. SAVIOUR

Note:

This amendment to the second amendment has been lodged too late to meet the minimum lodging period required under Standing Order 26(5)(b)(ii) if the debate takes place on 11th December 2012.

REPORT

Whilst I agree that the compromise proposed by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier is the way forward, I feel that the proposed time suggested is not long enough and is inflexible. If the States Assembly decides that they wish to purchase Plémont for the posterity of our people forever, then would a longer timescale be more appropriate and achievable?

The original proposition sadly is not quite good enough and does need improvement: had wider discussion with States Members occurred, perhaps we would have something that more Members could sign up to and that would receive greater public support.

I apologise for the lateness of lodging this amendment, but as we have been in the States with the significant Budget, I have only now had the time to work on it.

Financial and manpower implications

There are minor manpower implications.

The financial implications are such that if the States are able to negotiate a repayment programme with the National Trust, they may find themselves in a better financial situation; though there will be little additional cost to what is stated in Deputy Southern's amendment.