

**QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE FINANCE AND ECONOMICS  
COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY, 8th JUNE 2004 BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. JOHN**

**Question 1**

The Policy and Resources Committee has stated in P.99/2004 that it believes that the President of the proposed Committee of Inquiry on the Bus Tendering Process should be paid at the same rate as a Royal Court Commissioner, i.e. at £686 a day.

As the States of Jersey Law states that the Finance and Economics Committee may direct to what extent a person appointed to a Committee of Inquiry may be remunerated would the President advise members how the other members of the Committee of Inquiry are to be remunerated as the proposition states that they will be paid 'at a rate to be agreed'.

**Answer**

The Finance and Economics Committee has agreed that the two other members of the Committee of Inquiry be remunerated at a rate of half that of the chairman, namely £343 per day.

**Question 2**

If the Committee of Inquiry concludes that there were failings on the part of the States members who agreed that Connex should become the bus operator will the Committee consider seeking to recover the cost of the Committee of Inquiry from those members rather than meeting the cost from general revenues?

**Answer**

It is impossible to give a definitive answer to a hypothetical question of this nature because the Committee cannot consider whether any action is appropriate until the Committee of Inquiry, if appointed, has delivered its report. However, it is doubtful whether it is legally possible for the Committee to seek such recovery.