WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER BY DEPUTY G.C.L. BAUDAINS OF ST. CLEMENT ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 21st JANUARY 2014

Question

Did the Minister intend to challenge the French government had the blacklisting sanctions been applied from 1st January 2014 and, if so, would he advise from which budget such action was to be funded and under what authority?

Would he further advise what contingency existed should any legal action have run into millions of pounds?

Answer

There was no determination made to pursue a legal challenge, given our confidence that the action taken to meet the concerns of the French government would be sufficient to demonstrate that Jersey is a cooperative jurisdiction, rendering the application of the proposed sanctions unjustified.