DATA PROTECTION TRIBUNAL: CONSTITUTION

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PROPOSITION

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

In accordance with Part II of the Second Schedule to the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 1987 to appoint the following members of the Data Protection Tribunal, for a period of three years commencing 18th January 2000 -

Advocate Peter Charles Harris, Chairman Mr. Francis Du Heaume Le Gresley Dr. Rodney Allan Challinor Mrs. Norah Alice Antonia Roberts Mr. Cyril Philip Le Bail.

HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

REPORT

The Data Protection (Jersey) Law 1987 requires the States, on the recommendation of the Human Resources Committee, to appoint a chairman and four other members from whom a Data Protection Tribunal shall be selected. It requires that the chairman be an advocate or solicitor of not less than seven years' standing and that the chairman and members shall hold office for three years and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

The purpose of the Tribunal is to allow a right of appeal against decisions made by the Data Protection Registrar. For this reason members of the Tribunal must be seen to be completely independent of the Registrar.

The Human Resources Committee recommends the appointment of Advocate Peter Harris of Crills as chairman.

Advocate Harris was born in Jersey in June 1957 and was educated locally at Victoria College before obtaining a B.A. Hons in Law at Kingston Polytechnic. He became a Member of the Middle Temple, Member of the Society for Computers and Law and Chairman of the Law Society Information Technology Sub-Committee. He returned to Jersey in 1986 and was employed by Mourant, du Feu and Jeune and was called to the Jersey Bar in March 1990. Advocate Harris became a partner specialising in IT and Internet Law at Crills in September 1996. He is married with two sons.

In selecting the other members of the Tribunal, the Human Resources Committee wished to maintain a careful balance between those who might be seen to be representing industry and commerce and those acting on behalf of the citizen. The Committee recommends the following -

Mr. Francis Le Gresley: Mr. Le Gresley was born in Jersey on 9th June 1951 and educated at St. Lawrence Primary School and Victoria College. He started a career in banking during 1968 and qualified as an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Bankers in 1977. Since then he has held various managerial positions before leaving the industry in 1990. Mr. Le Gresley became manager of the Citizens Advice Bureau in 1992.

Dr. Rodney Challinor: Dr. Challinor was born in Cairo, Egypt in August 1941. He was educated locally at Victoria College before obtaining an B.Sc. (Special) Hon 1 in Physics and a Ph. D. in Upper Atmosphere Physics at Kings College London. He worked in Australia for three years as a Senior Research Scientist, a short time in London and then one year in Canada as an Associate Professor. In 1970 he founded Channel Data Processing, now the Sigma Group, and became Managing Director. Mr. Challinor retired in 1995 but remains a director, consultant and main shareholder. He is married with three daughters and was Chairman of the Board of Governors at Jersey College for Girls between 1994-1998. He also has an active interest in the Jersey Music Club, Jersey Eisteddfod, Jersey Arts Centre and St. Helier Yacht Club.

Mrs. Toni Roberts: Mrs. Roberts was born and educated in Birmingham, England. For thirteen years she worked for Crill, Cubitt Sowden and Tomes as Probate Manager, and for the last sixteen years has worked for Chase Bank and Trust Company (C.I.) Limited as General Manager and now has an International sales role and product development role. She is an Associate of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries and Administrators and has an MBA from the University of Leicester. Mrs. Roberts is married with two children and was formerly Chairman of the Jersey Branch of the Chartered Institute of Secretaries and Administrators, Secretary of the Jersey Spina Bifida Association and is a committee member of the Institute of Directors. Interests include snow-skiing and gourmet food.

Mr. Cyril Le Bail: Mr. Le Bail was born in St. Ouen 1934 and educated in Jersey. He has a wide variety of work experience, including delivery-salesman, gardener, docker, labourer, coach driver and six years in the Royal Navy. After this he entered teaching as a career and gained an external honours degree in English from London University. Mr. Le Bail taught at Hautlieu for 30 years, holding posts of Head of Sixth Form and Head of General Studies. He is a past President of the Jersey Teachers' Association and founder-member and ex-Chairman of the environment pressure group 'Concern'.

The States are asked to approve the chairman and membership of the Data Protection Tribunal.