

THE STATES assembled on Tuesday,
9th November 1993 at 9.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Bailiff,
Sir Peter Crill, C.B.E.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor,
Air Marshal Sir John Sutton, K.C.B.,
was present.

All Members were present with the exception of -

John Nicolle Le Fondré, Deputy of St.
Lawrence - out of the Island.
Terence Ahier Jehan, Deputy of St. Martin -
out of the Island.

Prayers read by the President

Public Service Committee - Resignation of Member

THE STATES noted the resignation of Deputy
Stuart Syvret of St. Helier from the Public
Services Committee.

Subordinate legislation tabled

The following enactments were laid before the
States, namely -

1. Prison (Amendment No. 13)
(Jersey) Rules 1993. R & O 8600.
2. Banking Business (List of
Registered Persons) (Amendment)
(Jersey) Order 1993. R & O 8601.

Redundancy through insolvency: discussion paper. R.C.33/93

The Industrial Relations Committee, by Act dated 8th November 1993, presented to the States a discussion paper on redundancy through insolvency.

THE STATES ordered that the said report be printed and distributed.

Building Materials Prices Working Party: report. R.C.34/93

The Finance and Economics Committee, by Act dated 1st November 1993, presented to the States the Building Materials Prices Working Party report.

THE STATES, ordered that the said report be printed and distributed.

Matters noted - land transactions

THE STATES noted an Act of the Finance and Economics Committee dated 1st November 1993, showing that in pursuance of Standing Orders relating to certain transactions in land, the Committee had approved -

- (a) as recommended by the Defence Committee, the extension of the lease from Mr. Ronald Garnier and Mrs. Anne Garnier, née Curtain, of the four-bedroomed property Bel Air, No. 13 Les Ametots, Bagatelle Lane, St. Saviour, for a period of six months from 1st October 1993 to 31st March 1994, under the existing terms, at an annual rent of £12,420;
- (b) as recommended by the Public Health Committee, the lease from Mrs. Clara Alstadt, née Mayer, of the one-bedroomed flat, Flat 6, Theresa Court, New St. John's Road, St. Helier, for a period of one year from 23rd October 1993, with an option to renew for a further year, at an annual rent of £6,500, payable quarterly in advance;
- (c) as recommended by the Housing Committee, the sale of a strip of land, measuring 108 metres in length and 1.2

metres in width, to the south of Balleine Close, La Rue de la Croix, St. Clement, to the following -

- (i) Mr. Jonathan Peter Clive Jones and Mrs. Cécile Yvonne Therese Jones, née Le Feuvre, proposed purchasers of 'The Villa', La Rue de la Croix, St. Clement (currently owned by Mr. Christopher George Brien and Mrs. Linda Elizabeth Brien, née Le Bail);
- (ii) Mr. Dennis John de Gruchy and Mrs. Margaret Christine de Gruchy, née Dalton, of 'Capello', La Rue de la Croix, St. Clement;
- (iii) Mr. Peter Dean and Mrs. Elizabeth Dean, née Michel, of 'La Berge', La Rue de la Croix, St. Clement; and
- (iv) Mrs. Angele Marie Louise Yvonne Gouedard, née Hellio (care of Mr. Eric Tricot, 39 Hill Street, St. Helier) owner of the commercial store at La Rue de la Croix, St. Clement,

for a nominal sum of £25 each, plus all reasonable legal fees incurred by the public in the transaction and their respective legal fees.

- (d) as recommended by the Public Services Committee, the renewal of the lease to Mr. Christopher Hugh Taylor of 25 vergées of land at Mont Mado, St. John, for a period of nine years with effect from 24th June 1993, at an annual rent of £625, subject to triennial reviews;
- (e) as recommended by the Island Development Committee, the lease from Wing Commander Richard Henry Brayn Le Brocq, of The Flat, Highfield, St. Saviour, for a further period of six months with effect from 1st September 1993, at an annual rent of £7,260, to be paid quarterly in advance;
- (f) as recommended by the Education Committee, to enter into a lease with the Trustees of the Congregation of St. George's Church for 0.34.18 vergées of

land in Field 789, St. Ouen, for a period of nine years commencing 22nd October 1993, at an annual rent of £135, payable yearly in advance, also to pay to the Church a sum of £500 for the benefit of the temporary use as a builders' yard during the construction of the extension to Les Landes School, plus the payment of all reasonable legal fees and the cost of all accommodation works including reinstatement of the field and boundary at the end of the lease;

(g) as recommended by the Island Development Committee, the extension from 21 to 99 years of the lease to Jersey Electricity Company Limited for a site measuring approximately 750 square feet at La Collette, St. Helier, used for the electricity sub-station, together with a section pillar at the opposite end of the new factory units, at an annual rent of £1.00, to take effect from the date of passing contract in the Royal Court, the total consideration of £99 to be paid ten days thereafter;

(h) as recommended by the Defence Committee, the lease to Mr. Maurice Francis Gotel of an area of land situated at Fields Nos. 116 and 117, Crabbé, St. Mary (measuring approximately 14 vergées) for the purpose of operating the Jersey Clay Pigeon Club, for a period of six years commencing 25th December 1993, at an annual rent of £586, with a rent review after three years.

Matter noted - financial transaction

THE STATES noted an Act of the Finance and Economics Committee dated 1st November 1993, showing that in pursuance of Rule 5 of the Public Finances (General) (Jersey) Rules 1967, as amended, the Committee had noted that the Public Health Committee had accepted the lowest of four tenders, namely that submitted by K.R. Le Marquand and Son Limited, in the sum of £228,962 for the essential roof repairs at Queen's House, St. Saviour's Hospital, St. Saviour in a period of 30 weeks.

Matters lodged

The following subjects were lodged ``au Greffe" -

1. Balloon Store, South Pier, St. Helier: reimbursement of capital and leases. P.176/93.
Presented by the Harbours and Airport Committee.
2. Gas Works site E and Westley Lodge, St. Helier: redevelopment. P.177/93.
Presented by the Housing Committee.
3. Draft Midland Bank Trust Corporation (Jersey) Law 1993 (Appointed Day) Act 1993. P.178/93.
Presented by the Finance and Economics Committee.
4. Draft Drug Trafficking Offences (Designated Countries and Territories) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 199 . P.179/93.
Presented by the Finance and Economics Committee.
5. Election of Committee Presidents: nomination procedure. P.181/93.
Presented by Senator P.F. Horsfall.
6. Draft Family Nursing Services and Home Helps (Amalgamation) (Jersey) Law 1993 (Appointed Day) Act 199 . P.182/93.
Presented by the Public Health Committee.

THE STATES noted that the following subject, which was lodged ``au Greffe", had been withdrawn by the President of the Island Development Committee.

La Hougue Bie restoration: additional vote of credit.
P.174/93.
Lodged: 26th October 1993
Senator P.F. Horsfall.

Arrangement of Public Business for the present

Sitting

THE STATES confirmed that the following subject lodged ``au Greffe" would be considered at the present Sitting -

Power station - automation: additional vote of credit. P.175/93.
Lodged: 26th October 1993.
Senator N.L. Qu  r  e.

THE STATES confirmed that the following items lodged ``au Greffe" be considered on 30th November and 1st December 1993, after consideration of the Budget.

Balloon Store, South Pier, St. Helier: reimbursement of capital and leases. P.176/93.
Harbours and Airport Committee.

Gas Works site E and Westley Lodge, St. Helier: redevelopment. P.177/93.
Housing Committee.

Draft Midland Bank Trust Corporation (Jersey) Law 1993 (Appointed Day) Act 1993. P.178/93.
Finance and Economics Committee.

Draft Drug Trafficking Offences (Designated Countries and Territories) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 199 . P.179/93.
Finance and Economics Committee.

Election of Committee Preside nomination procedure. P.181/93.
Senator P.F. Horsfall.

Draft Family Nursing Services and Home Helps (Amalgamation) (Jersey) Law 1993 (Appointed Day) Act 199 . P.182/93.
Public Health Committee.

Parish Rates Review. P.124/93.
Lodged: 24th August 1993.
Conn  table of St. John.

BBC Radio Jersey. Questions and answers (Tape No. 210)

Deputy Michael Adam Wavell asked Conn  table Enid Clare Qu  nault, President of the Broadcasting Committee the following questions -

1. Will the President inform the States of the policy of the BBC regarding the recruitment of staff to Radio Jersey?
2. Will the President inform the States if the Agreement between the BBC and the States of Jersey specifies that the Chairman of the Community Radio Council should be on the Appointments Board for the Manager of Radio Jersey and, if so, did he do so on this occasion?
3. When will the Agreement between the States of Jersey and the BBC expire and will it be open to renegotiation?
4. Will the President say whether other local broadcasting companies receive the same support from the Broadcasting Committee as BBC Radio Jersey?"

The President of the Broadcasting Committee replied as follows -

1. The policy of the BBC is to recruit local staff. With the exception of the first year of operation of Radio Jersey in 1982, when a producer was seconded for a period of twelve months, and again in 1990/91 when a producer was seconded for a six month period, this policy has been applied apart from the Manager. In this connexion I can do no better than to repeat what the Committee stated in its report to the States for 1982 -

There is a well-defined pattern of career structure before a person becomes a Manager of a BBC Radio Station. The structure forms a natural way of developing staff in all aspects of local radio and general BBC management as well as editorial judgment. A local radio station manager has very wide powers of discretion and almost complete freedom over editorial matters within BBC guidelines. Consequently, to place such responsibility in the hands of a Manager necessitates that he or

she is thoroughly trained and can draw upon a wide source of experience of the BBC.

As far as it is known, there is no Jerseyman available to the BBC either on the Island or working for the BBC elsewhere in the Corporation who could in the next seven to 10 years gain sufficient experience to succeed the present incumbent. Even if there were it would become necessary for the Corporation, both in the interests of the individual and the Station, to make a change after three to five years. It is also true that a Manager should be moved to enable him to broaden his experience ready to compete for a more important post.

The Committee is completely satisfied now that it is in the interests, not just of the Corporation and the person involved, but of the Island that the Manager of BBC Radio Jersey should change at least every five years.'

I should point out, however, that the post of Manager BBC Radio Jersey ceased to exist three years ago, when the Corporation decided to appoint a Manager for the Channel Islands, to be in charge of both Radio Jersey and Radio Guernsey. This new post involved both radio and television. During the last three years a local training scheme has been introduced by the Manager and the Corporation has been able to extend its services to the Channel Islands, as a result of which it is hoped that further locally qualified personnel will be recruited in the near future.

The recent appointment was for a managing editor for the Channel Islands, again covering Radio Jersey and Radio Guernsey and local television and the post was advertised both in the Channel Islands and the United Kingdom.

2. There is such a clause in the Agreement. The chairman of the Radio Jersey Advisory Council did not sit on the Board when interviews were held recently. The post, as I have said, is now that of managing editor for the Channel Islands and covers Radio Jersey and Radio Guernsey. It was intended that the Chairman should sit on the Board, but I was informed by the Corporation that the chairman of the Guernsey Advisory Council had been asked by his Council not to sit on the Board because there was a candidate from Guernsey. This was put to the Jersey Chairman and, because there were also candidates from Jersey, he agreed that it would be inappropriate to sit on the Board without Guernsey doing likewise.
3. The present agreement expires on 22nd November 1998, and is subject to review and negotiation two years prior to its expiry.
4. Yes. I would like to remind Members that my Committee is responsible for all aspects of broadcasting, visual as well as sound, and in particular for taking such action as might from time to time be appropriate to ensure the best possible sound radio and television coverage in the Island."

Social Security cards. Questions and answers
(Tape No. 210)

Deputy Graeme Ernest Rabet asked Terence Augustine Le Sueur, President of the Social Security Committee the following questions -

1. Will the President inform the House of the number of Social Security cards issued in the months of July, August and September this year, and how this compares with the same period last year?
2. Will the President inform the House whether or not employees of United Kingdom firms undertaking 'supply and fix' and other building contracts, also other employment in the Island are

required to be in possession of Jersey Social Security cards?"

The President of the Social Security Committee replied as follows -

1. The number of cards issued for each of the months in question were as follows -

	1993	1992
July	724	970
August	383	377
September	326	332
	1,433	1,679

Of the cards issued in 1993, 513 represented persons returning to or re-registering in the Island. For 1992 the comparable figure was 859.

These figures may not of themselves be significant, but do suggest that the Social Security Committee policy of advertising in United Kingdom Job Centres discouraging non-resident would-be employees from coming to the Island is having at least some effect. However it is dangerous to read into these statistics any great inference (such as length of stay) other than the fact that the number of cards issued has actually fallen in this period compared with 1992.

2. Not all employees of United Kingdom firms undertaking work in Jersey are required to be in possession of Jersey Social Security Registration Cards. This position is due to provisions contained in reciprocal agreements which exist with various countries, including the United Kingdom, whereby an employer based in the United Kingdom undertaking a local contract continuing to retain those members of his workforce on his United Kingdom payroll, can maintain their United Kingdom National Insurance contribution record.

So long as contributors continue to be paid in the United Kingdom there is no

requirement for Jersey contributions and hence no need to be in possession of a Jersey Social Security Card, since the employees are deemed to be 'in continuation of their United Kingdom employment', where they are ordinarily resident and indeed taxable. However it is my understanding that those United Kingdom companies would need prior permission under the Regulation of Undertakings Law to actually trade in the Island.

This situation also works in reverse, whereby Jersey residents sent abroad by their Jersey employers for a temporary secondment continue to pay Jersey Social Security contributions (and are liable to Jersey taxation) because they are still ordinarily resident in Jersey.

These arrangements cannot remain in force indefinitely and in the case of the agreement with the United Kingdom can last for a period of up to 12 months, although this can, with the agreement of both authorities, be extended for a further period of not more than 12 months."

The Future of Post-16 Education in Jersey.
Questions and answers (Tape No. 210)

Senator Joseph Richard Shenton asked Connétable Iris Medora Le Feuvre, President of the Education Committee the following questions -

``In connexion with the report on The Future of Post-16 Education in Jersey, will the President inform the House -

- (a) of the reason, or reasons, why the Post-16 Education report was commissioned from experts in England?
- (b) why the particular academics were invited to the Island and whether the Committee discussed the appointment of any others?
- (c) the cost of preparation of the report in terms of fees, travelling and printing?

- (d) whether there remains any area of England which still has the 14+ transfer scheme?
- (e) if so, whether any investigations have been carried out there as to the on-going development of 14+ and 16+ education?
- (f) the reason for the timetable set out in the report for the implementation of any changes?"

The President of Education Committee replied as follows -

- “(a) In responding to this question, I believe that it would be helpful to provide some background to the commissioning of Dr. Young's report.

In the United Kingdom post-16 provision, as is the case with all other phases of education, has been subject to far-reaching and dramatic change. The headteachers and senior staff of those Island schools which have sixth forms were concerned that there should be a proper awareness of the issues and requested an opportunity for the seven heads of sixth form to visit the United Kingdom in order to study and report on post-16 developments and organisation.

Their visit, arranged through the University of Exeter School of Education was completed in March 1992 and they subsequently reported to the Curriculum Council, Education Committee and secondary headteachers.

To raise the issues with a wider audience, the Education Committee arranged a conference to which Members of the States, representatives of the business community, senior civil servants, headteachers, teachers, lecturers and sixth form students were invited. The conference which was addressed by Professor Richard Pring of Oxford University, Dr. Michael Young, Mr. Brian Grady and Mr. Colin Powell was judged to be a considerable success and led to much interesting debate.

Following the conference, further discussion in the Curriculum Council led to a recommendation being put to the Education Committee that an independent review be undertaken by an authoritative review body to advise on current provision, future requirements and implications for the organisation of provision.

I believe that it is vital that the work of education be set in a broad context and the Education Committee has well established links with Her Majesty's Inspectorate, Universities and Local Education Authority Advisory Services. The need for such links was endorsed by the Establishment Committee in July 1992 following their approval of a joint report prepared by the Chief Personnel Manager and Director of Education. The commissioning of the report on post-16 provision is a further example of the way in which my Committee endeavours to ensure that the service is properly informed and advised.

(b) Professor Richard Pring and Dr. Michael Young were invited to the Island to speak to the Post-16 conference following recommendations by the seven heads of sixth form and enquiries by officers of the Department. Dr. Young has an international reputation as an authority on post-16 provision and was specialist adviser on 16-19 education to the House of Commons Select Committee on Education. He is director of the Paul Hamlyn Foundation 16+ Unified Curriculum Project and co-director with Professor John Woodhouse, of the Royal Society of Arts post 16 project 'Learning for the Future'. With Professor Michael Barnett he is designing a new post-16 qualification, the Technological Baccalaureat for the City and Guilds of London Institute.

On the basis of the earlier recommendations his contribution to the local conference and recognition of the quality of the work undertaken by the University of London Post-16 Centre, Dr. Young was invited to advise on the

options for developing post-16 education in the Island. In view of this, the Committee did not consider the appointment of others.

Dr. Young requested the assistance of Mr. Ken Spours who has worked extensively with the Post-16 Centre and is to join the Centre as a permanent member of staff early in 1994.

(c) £6,925.81p.

(d) There is only one area, indeed one school in the United Kingdom which still has a 14+ selected transfer scheme, namely King Edward's VI School, Louth in Lincolnshire.

(e) The Louth Plan, as it is called, is currently under enormous pressure. There are four schools involved, three 11-16 schools and the 14-18 school. Of the 11-16 schools, one is facing possible closure because of its falling rolls; one is attempting to develop into an 11-18 school. King Edward's, the 14-18 school, has opted out of local authority control and now recruits pupils at 14+ and 16+ from a wide geographic area. Active consideration has been given to King Edward's becoming an 11-18 school.

(f) The only reference to a timetable in the report relates to the possible merging of Hautlieu and Highlands within two-three years. This involves only one of the options for consideration and, in the view of my officers, would be most difficult to achieve.

Finally, I would stress that my committee has issued the report for consultation and will take no decision prior to considering the responses and taking further advice from Curriculum Council which has set up a specialist group to examine further the implications of the various options. Arrangements will be made for a full presentation of the report to members following the elections. Furthermore, should the decisions of the Committee

require any reorganisation of secondary provision a report and proposition will be brought to the States."

Proposed changes at Postal. Questions and answers (Tape No. 210)

Senator Corrie Stein asked Deputy Frank Harrison Walker, President of the Committee for Postal Administration the following questions -

- ``1. Will the President inform the House what changes have been agreed with the U.C.W. with regard to working practices?

2. Will the President inform the House what changes are proposed to improve the management structure at the Postal Department?"

The President of the Committee for Postal Administration replied as follows -

- ``1. Since my Committee came into office nearly 12 months ago a number of important agreements have been reached with the Union of Communication Workers. In addition a number of joint initiatives have been undertaken all aimed at improving efficiency and the service offered to our customers. Some of these initiatives are long-term and others have already resulted in significant improvement and change.

Amongst the more important agreements and initiatives are -

Full agreement on the need to improve efficiency. Joint initiatives have been agreed to introduce full monitoring and measurement of productivity and efficiency in the sorting office.

The setting up of an accurate method of measuring throughput of letters and packets through the sorting office on a daily basis.

The setting up of dedicated

sorting teams for box letters and for parcels.

Joint training initiatives to improve understanding and efficiency.

The setting up of a new industrial relations framework.

Joint commitment to new much improved service targets.

The involvement of the UCW in strategic planning issues.

A joint general revision of all delivery rounds aimed at providing a more efficient service in 1994.

Sorting on to clear first class and local mail each morning.

A joint project to reduce the unacceptable level of missorts.

A joint project to increase the efficiency and use of mechanisation.

An agreement that management may direct staff to perform any work that is proper to their grade. This was previously a source of continuing disagreement.

All the above have been achieved without any additional payments whatsoever.

Of far more importance than the agreements themselves however is the effect they have had and will continue to have on the efficiency and profitability of the postal operation.

Amongst the improvements already achieved are -

Later posting times for outward mail at Mont Millais and Broad Street.

The next day delivery of 90/95 per cent of letters to the United Kingdom - an improvement of over

ten per cent on 1992.

A major improvement in the box letter operation at Broad Street so crucial to many local business houses.

The re-introduction of limited Sunday collections on a trial basis.

A complete reversal of the pattern established in 1991 and 1992 of lost parcel business with three major contracts signed in the last 12 months.

The delivery of all first class and local mail each day.

An increase in business letter volumes completely reversing previous trends.

Despite much higher wage awards and inflation an increase in expenditure for the year to date of only 1.8 per cent over 1992.

A decrease in overtime hours of 27 per cent on both 1991 and 1992 levels.

Last but by no means least an increase in profit as at 30th September of 61 per cent.

These improvements could not have been achieved without a major improvement in industrial relations and a new spirit of cooperation between management and work force.

Although encouraged by all these developments, my Committee is fully aware that much still needs to be done to further improve morale, industrial relations, efficiency and levels of service but we are confident that the framework now exists upon which an efficient and profitable service operated by a dedicated and highly motivated work force can be built.

2. My Committee inherited a management structure which had for many years

remained unchanged and which was not geared to the current needs of the business.

We quickly established that major changes were necessary if the operation was to be run on efficient business lines and if the service was to develop in accordance with our customers' needs. Particular emphasis will be placed on marketing, personnel and information technology.

We also clearly understood however that it would be rash and not good practice to make major changes to a structure which had existed for so long without careful planning and consultation.

At the Committee's request a comprehensive study of the management structure was therefore undertaken by the States' Personnel Department. This study clearly identified the changes needed if Committee objectives were to be met.

These changes are far reaching and with major implications for the future and my Committee is acutely conscious of the care and expertise needed if they are to be implemented successfully. With this in mind, proposals are currently awaited from consultants who specialise in the management of change whose brief will be to lead the implementation process. The selection and briefing of the consultants is being undertaken in close co-operation with the Chief Executive Officer of the States' Personnel Department.

My Committee is confident that a new management structure fully linked to the needs of the business now and in the future can be introduced in 1994."

Committee of Inquiry into circumstances leading to the release from contract of the former Chief Executive Officer of the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Department: statement

The President of the aforementioned Committee of Inquiry made a statement in the following terms -

“I do not need to remind the States of their decision, on 10th August 1993, when they agreed to appoint a Committee of Inquiry under Article 30 of the States of Jersey Law 1966 to inquire into the circumstances which led to Miss Mary Frances Alexander, Chief Executive Officer of the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Department, being released from her contract of employment, and the reasons for agreeing to the settlement reached and to report thereon to the States.

The Committee has kept the States fully informed of the progress of the Inquiry by means of statements; the information presented to the States on 26th October 1993 with the Committee's request for an additional vote of credit to pay the Committee's essential expenses; and the information that I gave to the States on that occasion.

Immediately following its appointment, the Committee started to obtain material relevant to the Inquiry. It received copies of the relevant Committee Acts and requested the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee, the Education Committee and the Establishment Committee to supply all relevant papers and suggested that they should also consider obtaining legal advice regarding the evidence that they would present to the Inquiry. As is normal procedure the Committees were to be advised by the Law Officers' Department and it was agreed that they would be represented by an officer of that Department before the Committee of Inquiry. A request for the submission of evidence and the production of papers was sent to Advocate P. de C. Mourant, acting on behalf of Miss M.F. Alexander. All parties were invited to submit to the Committee of Inquiry the names of persons they would wish to be called as witnesses.

The Committee of Inquiry decided that it too would need legal advice and, since it was inappropriate for the Committee to be advised by the Law Officers of the Crown, the Committee decided that it should appoint independent legal counsel. Under Article 20 of the Public Finances (Administration) (Jersey) Law 1967, as

amended, the Committee was unable to employ counsel until the States had voted the necessary funds. The Committee also required funds for other purposes which were explained to the States on 26th October 1993 when the necessary vote of credit was granted.

The Committee has all along been determined to conduct its proceedings in a thorough and efficient manner and to ensure a fair hearing to all concerned. It has also been conscious of the limited time available to conduct its hearings. Not only was it required to complete its proceedings and produce its report by the end of the present Session on 7th December 1993, it also had to fix hearing dates within the busy timetable of Committee members, advisers, witnesses and others involved. Above all, the Committee was unable to start its proceedings until the civil litigation proceeding "en cause de brevété" between Miss Alexander and the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee and the Establishment Committee had been concluded. In the event, the earliest date on which Committee could hold its hearings was the week beginning Monday 15th November 1993, and the Committee decided to devote the whole of that week to the task with the whole of this week (today's States Meeting excepted) being devoted to preparation for the hearings. The civil action was withdrawn at the beginning of last week. In planning its proceedings, the Committee assumed that a total of 25 hours hearings would be sufficient to cope with approximately 30 witnesses that it intended to call, and that there would be sufficient time afterwards to prepare the report. However, the Committee was aware all along that, although it had begun to collect written evidence from the parties concerned and had received voluntary submissions, it could not begin to prepare itself for the hearing until it had received and examined all the relevant written evidence and could not begin to hear oral evidence, until its own preparations were complete.

In the event the Committee is still waiting for written submissions from several of the parties involved. The Committee has not yet received Miss Alexander's formal submission which is expected to be presented to the

Committee within the next two days but it understands that it runs to some 147 closely typed pages of detailed information with extensive cross-referencing to supporting documents. The Committee received late last week the submission of the Education Committee; and those of the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee and the Establishment Committee are expected shortly.

After such an expenditure of effort on all sides, the Committee of Inquiry would expect to discharge its responsibilities and bring its proceedings to a satisfactory conclusion. However it is clear to the Committee that there is now insufficient time for it to study the papers, when received, and for its legal adviser to advise it fully on the conduct of its proceedings, so as to be ready to start the public hearings next Monday. It is also apparent that the Committee's original estimate that it could conduct a proper hearing of all the evidence in its possession within the week set aside for the hearings is no longer correct. In fairness to all concerned, the hearings should continue for as long as is necessary to complete the Committee's task, and not be determined by outside considerations.

The Committee has considered other ways of enabling it to complete the task that the States assigned to it, but no other course of action is practicable, given that two Committee Members and myself cease to be Members of the States on 9th December. However, the Committee will continue with its preparatory work, in consultation with its legal adviser, so that the re-constituted Committee will be able to conduct the hearings with all the necessary information at its disposal."

Axminster House: transfer of administration

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Public Services Committee -

- (a) referred to their Act, dated 23rd April 1985, and approved the transfer of the administration of the balance of the lease on the property Axminster House, Devonshire Place, St. Helier, from the

Public Services Committee to the Island Development Committee;

- (b) agreed to the transfer of funds in votes granted to the Public Services Committee under the headings ``2082 - Public building - premises" and ``R418 - Inter Committee rents" to the Island Development Committee votes of Credit ``5208 - Expenses including rates on properties purchased" and ``R1250 - rentals of business premises";
- (c) authorised the Treasurer of the States to debit the rent, rates and other expenses as they became due from the vote of credit granted to the Island Development Committee under the heading vote 5208 - Expenses including rates on properties purchased.

Sea Fisheries (Jersey) Law 1993. P.153/93

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled the Sea Fisheries (Jersey) Law 1993.

Territorial Sea (Consequential Provisions) (Jersey) Law 1993. P.154/93

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled Territorial Sea (Consequential Provisions) (Jersey) Law 1993.

Traffic and transport policy: transfer to Public Services Committee. P.156/93

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Policy and Resources Committee -

- (i) agreed that all traffic and transport policy should become the responsibility of the Public Services Committee, as set out in paragraphs 3 and 5 of the Committee's report;
- (ii) requested the Public Services Committee to present to the States as soon as possible an Island traffic and transport policy, including recommendations for the

administrative and legislative changes necessary for the effective implementation of that policy, as outlined in paragraphs 6 and 7 of the Committee's report.

Social Security (No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 1993 (P.159/93) and amendments

THE STATES commenced consideration of the draft Social Security (No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 1993, lodged on 12th October 1993, and adopted the preamble.

Regulation 1 was adopted, the States having rejected an amendment of Senator Dereck André Carter that the following should be substituted for Regulation 1 -

in sub-paragraph (a) of paragraph (6) of Article 1 of the Law for the words "8 per cent" there shall be substituted the words "7.5 per cent";

and that Regulations 2 and 3 should be deleted.

Members present voted as follows -

"Pour" (17)

Senators

Rothwell, Le Main, Carter, Quérée, Chinn.

Connétables

St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Peter, St. Helier, Trinity.

Deputies

Blampied(H), H. Baudains(C), Huelin(B), Grouville, Syvret(H), Crespel(H), Trinity.

"Contre" (32)

Senators

Shenton, Jeune, Binnington, Horsfall, Baal, Le Maistre, Stein.

Connétables

St. John, St. Clement, St. Lawrence, St. Ouen, St. Brelade, Grouville, St. Saviour.

Deputies

Le Gallais(S), Rumboll(H), Wavell(S),
Norman(C), St. John, St. Peter, Buesnel(H),
Le Sueur(H), St. Ouen, Coutanche(L),
Jordan(B), St. Mary, Bailhache(H),
S. Baudains(H), Clarke-Halifax(S), Le
Geyt(S), Walker(H), Pullin(S).

Regulations 2, 3, 4 and 5 were adopted.

THE STATES, in pursuance of Articles 50 and 51
of the Social Security (Jersey) Law 1974, as
amended, made Regulations entitled the Social
Security (No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 1993.

Waterfront Enterprise Board: report on
recommendations. P.160/93

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Policy
and Resources Committee -

- (a) approved in principle that the
Waterfront Enterprise Board,
established by Act of the States dated
30th March 1993, should, subject to
relevant legislation and States
procedures -
 - (i) be confirmed as a development
agency of the States for an
initial ten year period;
 - (ii) be given full responsibility for
the co-ordination and promotion of
development in the St. Helier
Waterfront Area;within the overall framework of the
report of the Waterfront Enterprise
Board dated 22nd September 1993;
- (b) appointed the following persons to act
as chairman and members of the
Waterfront Enterprise Board, on terms
agreed by the Policy and Resources
Committee -

Chairman
Mr. Richard Blakeney Wade, O.B.E.

States Members

Deputy Robin Ernest Richard Rumboll of
St. Helier

Deputy Leonard Norman of St. Clement

Deputy Frank Harrison Walker of St.

Helier

Non-States Members

Mr. Albert Burgess

Mr. Jock Campbell Russell;

- (c) agreed that the term of office of States Members shall initially be three years and four months, and thereafter three years and the term of office of non-States members shall be four and a half years, with both categories being eligible for re-appointment.

Amendment (No. 16) to the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues. P.162/93

THE STATES, in pursuance of Article 6 of the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues (Jersey) Law 1947, as amended, approved the draft Amendment (No. 16) to the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues.

Harbours (Amendment No. 22) (Jersey) Regulations 1993. P.163/93

THE STATES, in pursuance of Article 4 of the Harbours (Administration) (Jersey) Law 1961, made Regulations entitled the Harbours (Amendment No. 22) (Jersey) Regulations 1993.

Boats and Surf-Riding (Control) (Amendment No. 9) (Jersey) Regulations 1993. P.164/93

THE STATES, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by Article 4 of the Harbours (Administration) (Jersey) Law 1961, as amended made Regulations entitled the Boats and Surf-Riding (Control) (Amendment No. 9) (Jersey) Regulations 1993.

Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust: extension of loan. P.165/93

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Finance and Economics Committee agreed that the

Act of the States of 9th March 1971, as amended on 8th June 1976, 18th April 1978, 26th July 1983 and 29th November 1988, be further amended by extending the period of the loan in the sum of £100,000 to the Jersey Wildlife Preservation Trust, so that the principal of the loan would be repaid not later than 23rd April 2010, instead of 23rd April 2000, and that all other terms and conditions of the loan would remain unchanged.

Social Security - trilateral agreement between Jersey, Guernsey and New Zealand: draft Exchange of Letters. P.166/93

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Social Security Committee -

- (a) approved the draft Exchange of Letters proposing an Agreement on Social Security between Jersey, Guernsey, and New Zealand;
- (b) requested the Bailiff to inform the Secretary of State of the decision of the Assembly.

Parish Rate (Jersey) Law 1993 (P.167/93) and amendment (P.173/93)

THE STATES commenced consideration of the draft Parish Rate (Jersey) Law 1993.

Article 1 was adopted, the States having accepted an amendment of Deputy Robin Ernest Rumboll of St. Helier, that for the words "two years" substitute the words "the year nineteen hundred and ninety-four."

Article 2 was adopted.

THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, adopted a Law entitled the Parish Rate (Jersey) Law 1993.

States' Members allowance and income support: publication of information. P.170/93

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Senator Richard Joseph Shenton asking the States to refer to their Act dated 24th September 1991 regarding States Members' allowance and income support and to request the

Finance and Economics Committee to publish annually details of the amounts paid to Members in respect of the allowance and income support.

After discussion, Senator Shenton withdrew the proposition, having received an assurance by the President of the Finance and Economics Committee, that that Committee, in consultation with the House Committee, would review the present scheme, and prepare a report for presentation to the States.

Committee Presidents: voting procedure for elections. P.171/93

THE STATES rejected a proposition of Senator Richard Joseph Shenton asking the States to refer to their Act dated 11th December 1990, regarding the election procedure for the appointment of Committee Presidents under Standing Order 41, and to agree that all voting should be undertaken in public rather than by secret ballot.

Members present voted as follows -

``Pour" (17)

Senators

Shenton, Rothwell, Stein, Qu  r  e.

Conn  tables

St. Lawrence, Grouville, St. Helier.

Deputies

Wavell(S), Blampied(H), H. Baudains(C),
Buesnel(H), Jordan(B), Grouville, Le
Geyt(S), Syvret(H), Crespel(H), Trinity.

``Contre" (32)

Senators

Jeune, Binnington, Horsfall, Baal, Le Main,
Le Maistre, Carter, Chinn.

Conn  tables

St. John, St. Clement, St. Mary, St. Ouen,
St. Brelade, St. Martin, St. Peter, St.
Saviour, Trinity.

Deputies

Le Gallais(S), Rumboll(H), Norman(C), St.
John, St. Peter, Le Sueur(H), St. Ouen,
Coutanche(L), Huelin(B), St. Mary,
Bailhache(H), Rabet(H), Clarke-Halifax(S),
Walker(H), Pullin(S).

Power station - automation: additional vote of
credit. P.175/93

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the
Finance and Economics Committee, acceded to the
request for the following additional vote of
credit to be voted out of the general reserve -

C0494 - Public Services Committee
Automation of the power station £400,00
0.

THE STATES rose at 4.45 p.m.

C.M. NEWCOMBE

Deputy Greffier of the States.