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Deputy Morel
Chairman
Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel
Via email

10 September 2019

Dear Chairman

May I firstly apologise for the delay in responding to your initial letter. This was due to my absence on both holiday and then being in South Africa on business. Yesterday was therefore my first day in the office.

I had been led to believe that the corporate approach outlined in yesterday's letter had been agreed by scrutiny; it has now transpires that this was not the case and I apologise that my understanding was incorrect.

Please therefore find attached to this letter (via email) the business cases you requested.

Regarding the Financial Stability Board and Joint Working, I can confirm that R.92/2019 is incorrect, and as such I direct you to the correct Minister, being in both cases the Chief Minister.

Request 1:

All supporting information relating to the following projects is attached:

- Continuation of external relations funding (CSP3-1-06)
- Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) (CSP3-301)
- Jersey Finance Growth (CSP3-3-02)

Requests 2 and 3:

I am currently not undertaking any work on the topics identified in the list of capital programmes you provided in your letter.

Request 4:

I can confirm that I am involved in the following actions:

- Protect and strengthen Jersey's status
- Closely monitor and respond to the future UK/EU partnership
- Deliver year 1 of the European Relations Strategy 2020-23
- Continue to invest in Jersey's overseas offices
- Ensure that Jersey continues to engage effectively with relevant multilateral bodies
- Continue delivery of GMS

All of the above are related to the "Continuation of external relations funding" project, as delivering these action depends on appropriate staffing and resourcing of External Relations.

- Take forward the work of the independent charity commissioner
- Further work to manage the impacts of Brexit on Jersey's customs and immigration
- Increasing the capacity of the Jersey Competition regulatory authority
- Forge new and stronger commercial relationships
- Invest in AML and CFT processes

Investment in AML and CFT processes falls into the "Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism" project.

Request 5:

Can I suggest that a separate briefing might be helpful, if our respective calendars allow, on the work my department is doing towards:

- Deliver year 1 of the European Relations Strategy 2020-23
- Continue to invest in Jersey's overseas offices
- Ensure that Jersey continues to engage effectively with relevant multilateral bodies

Although these actions all fall into the "Continuation of external relations funding" project, on which you will be questioning me on Thursday, it would be valuable to have additional time to brief you in detail on these matters.

I look forward to answering your questions on Thursday.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'I. Gorst', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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