



Scrutiny Office

Senator Ian Gorst  
Minister for External Relations  
By email

9th September 2019

Dear Minister

**Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel**

**Government Plan Review**

Thank you for your letter dated 9th September. I wish to express my disappointment at the length of time it has taken to receive the information we requested in our letter dated 16th August.

With regard to request one, in your letter you advise that, in relation to the Financial Stability Board and Jersey-Guernsey joint working projects, these are owned by the Chief Minister, but the summary Business Cases in R.91/2019 specify that you are Lead Minister. Unless we are advised otherwise, the Panel will be questioning you on these projects during the hearing.

In relation to receiving all of the full Business Cases for the projects R.91 says you are leading on, we have yet to receive the following information:

- External relations continuation of funding (CSP3-1-06)
- Financial Stability Board (CSP3-2-08)
- Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (AML/CFT) (CSP3-3-01)

I cannot see any reason why you could not have sent these documents yourself, particularly as our letter was sent to you over 3 weeks ago. I expect you to treat this as a matter of urgency so that we receive these documents and have time to analyse them before the hearing on Thursday.

Regarding request 4, I am equally disappointed that you are not able to provide details yourself of the process and cross-referenced list of actions to projects.

Regarding request 5, I am happy to arrange separate briefings on these areas but given the delay in responding to our letter, I would expect the Panel to be provided with all of the information before our hearing takes place on Thursday.

Yours sincerely

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Chairman  
Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel