

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS  
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. MARY  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th APRIL 2010**

**Question**

“Will the Minister, 2 or more weeks before any debate on the appointment of the new Chief Officer of the States of Jersey Police, make available to members -

1. The letter sent on 10th November 2008 by the then Deputy Chief of Police which triggered the suspension process?
2. The Metropolitan Police interim report?
3. The Metropolitan Police final report?
4. The report of the preliminary investigation by the Chief Executive under paragraph 2 of the Disciplinary Code?
5. The media presentation script used on 12th November?
6. The 5th November draft version?
7. The initial and follow-up reports by ACPO about the Historic Abuse Inquiry, presented during March 2008?
8. The written record of the briefing given by members of the ACPO team on 7th March 2008 to the then Chief Minister and Home Affairs Minister and the Chief Executive?
9. The Wiltshire report either complete (or with necessary redactions). or one or more complete “threads” for example a full account of media statements/interviews about the “potential remains of a child” to when they became a “piece of coconut”, including the actual video and audio?

or should he withhold any particular document, an explanation for doing so?”

**Answer**

It is my intention, prior to the debate of the appointment of the Acting Chief Officer of Police as the new Chief Officer of Police to make available to Members of the States as much information as I properly can in relation to the issue of the role played by the Acting Chief Officer in providing information to the Chief Executive to the Council of Ministers and to the then Home Affairs Ministers in relation to issues concerning the Chief Officer of Police.

However, I do not believe that a two week period for such information will be necessary.

I am also unable at this point in time to determine which matters and documents I will then be able to properly put before the Members of the States.

I note that the Deputy of St Mary will wish to receive a great deal of information and my intention is to put as much information before the Members of the States as I possibly can.

There is a further complication in that it is my understanding that the issues which the Deputy of St Mary’s wishes to cover in terms of provision of information will, to some extent, have already been covered by the report of the Commissioner appointed by the Chief Minister in order to examine the circumstances of the original suspension of the Chief Officer of Police.

Finally, I will take this question as notice from the Deputy of St Mary as to the documents which he would wish to see prior to any such debate and notice that I will need to give an explanation as to any reasons which may arise as to why I cannot provide any particular document or can only provide that document in a limited or adapted form.