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4.3 Deputy J.M. Martin of St. Helier of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the progress made to date in relation to the new Police Headquarters:

Can the Minister detail the progress made to date in relation to the new police headquarters, including whether it is on time and on budget, and state whether there has been a need to use special blast-proof concrete and, if so, whether this will require an increase to the allocated budget and by what amount?

Senator A.J.H. Maclean (The Minister for Treasury and Resources):

If I may, I will ask my Assistant Minister, Deputy Noel, who has responsibility for this area to answer the question.

Deputy E.J. Noel of St. Lawrence (Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources - rapporteur):

I am pleased to confirm that the construction of the Island's first purpose-built police headquarters is progressing well. At the current time I am confident that the scheme will be completed as promised by the end of 2016, and that it will be delivered within the allocated budget. In line with Home Office guidance, a small number of key areas within the building have required specialist blast protection. This was specified in the scheme and is accommodated within the construction contract. I can therefore confirm that there has been no requirement to increase the allocated budget as a result of blast-proofing requirements.

Deputy J.M. Martin:

I thank the Minister for his reassurances and I am glad it is on time.