## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES BY THE DEPUTY OF GROUVILLE ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 14TH MARCH 2017

## Question

Will the Minister, as shareholder representative, advise what requests, if any, have been made to the States of Jersey Development Company to respect Jersey's Occupation history and, in particular, to restore the two red crosses on the front of the former Jersey College for Girls building?

## **Answer**

The Minister is informed that no requests have been made to The States of Jersey Development Company Limited to restore the two red crosses on the front of the former Jersey College for Girls building.

The Minister is further informed by SoJDC that the red crosses were painted more than 70 years ago and are now barely visible. Whilst naturally being mindful of the importance of the need to preserve Jersey's Occupation history, SoJDC and the Minister must also take into account that the façade of the building is now in a poor state of repair and requires cleaning, repairing and painting to preserve the façade's overall structure and weather resistance.

The Minister is also advised by SoJDC that The British Red Cross website states that the red cross emblem is an indication that the person or object on which the emblem is displayed is connected with the International Red Cross Movement.

The red cross emblem must be trusted absolutely to signify neutrality and protection and its unauthorised use is forbidden in international and national law.