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THE STATES assembled on Friday, 15th September, 1989 at 9.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff, Vernon Amy Tomes, Esquire.

All Members were present with the exception of -

Senator Pierre François Horsfall absent. John Pepin Le Sueur, Connétable of St. John - out of the Island. Iris Medora Le Feuvre, Connétable of St. Lawrence - out of the Island. Snowdon George Robins, Connétable of St. Saviour - ill. Richard Winter Le Sauteur, Connétable of Grouville - absent. Edgar John Becquet, Deputy of Trinity - out of the Island. Hendricus Adolphus Vandervliet, Deputy of St. Lawrence - out of the Island. Carlyle John Le Herissier Hinault, Deputy of St. John - ill. Thomas John du Feu, Deputy of St. Peter - out of the Island. Henri Leon Dubras, Deputy of St. Martin - out of the Island. Cynthia Miriam Rumboll, Deputy of St. Helier - out of the Island. Percy John Le Masurier, Deputy of St. Ouen - out of the Island. Patricia Ann Bailhache, Deputy of St. Helier - out of the Island.

Prayers

Extension and continuance of State of Emergency.

The Deputy Bailiff informed the House that the Lieutenant-Governor had issued the following -

"CONTINUANCE OF STATE OF EMERGENCY

WHEREAS on the fifteenth day of August I declared a State of Emergency existed:

AND WHEREAS I am satisfied that the events which caused me to issue that declaration continue to exist;

NOW therefore, in pursuance of the Emergency Powers (Jersey) Law, 1964, I hereby declare the said State of Emergency to be extended and continued.

Dated this twelfth day of September, One thousand nine hundred and eightynine.

W. PILLAR

Lieutenant-Governor of Jersey".

Water situation in Jersey. Statement.

The President of the Public Works Committee made a statement in the following terms -

"The dry weather of May, June and July has continued throughout August and the first half of September. In the past 30 days since the first State of Emergency was declared, until 9 a.m. yesterday the rainfall amounted to an average of 4.2 millimetres. The forecast for the next two weeks is for the present weather pattern to continue, and the only precipitation to be in the form of thundery showers. Looking further ahead, the likelihood is that the weather pattern will become more changeable. There are, however, no signs that any change will lead to substantial rainfall. It has therefore been necessary to extend the State of Emergency for a further period.

The Jersey New Waterworks
Company's reservoirs have 126 million
gallons of water in store, and the
average loss of water in store during
the last two weeks was 4.185 million
gallons. The average daily consumption
by consumers supplied by the
Waterworks Company was a little below

3.2 million gallons per day. The situation is, for the present, under control.

If the dry weather continues, then the need to introduce greater restrictions may arise, and I could then have to request you, Sir, to seek His Excellency to extend the State of Emergency once again.

I would like to bring to the attention of the House the truly remarkable cooperation of both residents and visitors in conforming to the spirit of the water restrictions which have been imposed. The situation is under control because of this co-operation, and because of the voluntary economy so many people have imposed upon themselves.

In conclusion, I must stress the need to maintain at least the present level of economy in water consumption. The volume of water in store will, in a matter of days, have fallen below the 1976 level."

THE STATES rose at 9.40 a.m.

R.S. GRAY

Deputy Greffier of the States.