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THE STATES assembled on Tuesday, 17th December 1996 at 9.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache

All members were present with the exception of -

Senator Stuart Syvret - suspended Leonard René Hamel, Connétable of St. Clement - ill Jacqueline Jeannette Huet, Deputy of St. Helier - out of the Island. Graeme Ernest Rabet, Deputy of St. Helier - ill

Prayers

Senator S. Syvret - statement by the Bailiff.

The Bailiff made the following statement -

``Most members will know that Senator Syvret laid a formal complaint with the Home Secretary arising out of his suspension by the States on 3rd September. I am able to tell the House that I have been informed by his Excellency that a letter was sent to Senator Syvret on 11th December rejecting that complaint. I express the hope that Mr. Syvret will now feel able to comply with the resolution of the States requiring him to withdraw the offending allegation against a former member. In any event I consider that the House should have the opportunity to reexamine the position of Senator Syvret early in the next session and I am having discussions with my consultative panel to that end."

Subordinate legislation tabled

The following enactments were laid before the States, namely -

- 1. Import and Export (Control) (Amendment No.4) (Jersey) Order 1996. R & O 9029.
- 2. Teachers' Superannuation (General Provisions) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 1996. R & O 9032.

Matter lodged

The following matter was lodged ``au Greffe" -

Child care provision: Working Party strategy - P.244/96.
Presented by the Education
Committee.

Congratulations to newly-elected Presidents

The Bailiff congratulated the newly-elected Presidents of Committees on their appointments.

Appointment of Committees

THE STATES, pursuant of their Act dated 9th December 1993, with regard to the appointment of Presidents of Committees, made the following appointments -

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Senator P.F. Horsfall, President

Senators

J.S. Rothwell L. Norman F.H. Walker

Connétable

I.M. Le Feuvre of St. Lawrence

Deputies

T.A. Le Sueur of St. Helier D.L. Crespel of Trinity

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Connétables

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C.J. Le H. Hinault of St. John

Deputies

D.R. Maltwood of St. Mary I.S. Nicholls of Grouville M.E. Vibert of St. Brelade

ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE

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Connétables

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E.M. Pullin of St. Saviour

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Deputies

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Connétable

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- J.T. Johns of St. Helier
- J.L. Dorey of St. Helier

ANN ALICE RAYNER FUND DELEGATION

Senator F.H. Walker, President

THE STATES agreed to defer the appointment of a delegation of five members until 21st January 1997.

SPECIAL COMMITTEE TO CONSIDER RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COMMITTEES AND THE STATES

Senator V.A. Tomes, President

Senators

- R.J. Shenton
- P.F. Horsfall
- J.S. Rothwell

C. Stein F.H. Walker

Deputy

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JERSEY TRANSPORT AUTHORITY

Deputy A.J. Layzell of St. Brelade, President

One representative of -

Harbours and Airport Committee

Agriculture and Fisheries Committee

Tourism Committee

Three members of the States appointed by the States -

Deputies

E.M. Pullin of St. Saviour P.J. Rondel of St. John R.C. Hacquoil of St. Peter

COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY TO INVESTIGATE THE PROCEDURE FOLLOWED IN RELATION TO THE TIME-TABLING, PREPARATION AND PRESENTATION TO THE STATES OF THE DRAFT LIMITED LIABILITY PARTNERSHIPS (JERSEY) LAW 199

Senator R.J. Shenton, President

Senator

P.A. Bailhache

Connétable

M. Pollard of St. Peter

Deputies

R.C. Duhamel of St. Saviour J.L. Dorey of St. Helier

INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES OFFICER

Deputy A. Breckon of St. Saviour.

DEPUTY INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES OFFICER

THE STATES decided to defer the appointment of a Deputy Industrial Disputes Officer until 21st January 1997.

Compliments of the season

Senator Richard Joseph Shenton, on behalf of the Senators, Deputy Michael Adam Wavell of St. Saviour, on behalf of the Deputies, and Connétable Iris Medora Le Feuvre, on behalf of the Connétables, wished the Bailiff and Lady Bailhache, the Law Officers and the officers of the States, the compliments of the season.

The Bailiff, in return, wished the members of the States and their families a Merry Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

THE STATES rose at 10.58 a.m.

G.H.C. COPPOCK

Greffier of the States.