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1 Senator S.C. Ferguson of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the prospect of lending material from the basement of Cyril le Marquand House to Jersey Heritage: [OQ.59/2018]

Why are the originals of the war-time currency designs by Edmond Blampied and the post First World War cheque signed by Winston Churchill, currently held in the Cyril Le Marquand basement and not lent to Jersey Heritage for display to the public?

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

I can confirm that both the originals of the war-time currency designs by Edmond Blampied and post First World War cheque payable "to" and not signed by, as the Senator suggested, the Right Honourable Winston Churchill are indeed currently held safely in the vault in Cyril Le Marquand House. However, I am not aware of any previous request by Jersey Heritage to borrow these items for display. However, I am pleased to confirm that as a result of the Senator's question I have instructed my officers to contact Jersey Heritage and to ascertain if the loan of these items would indeed be of interest to them.

Senator S.C. Ferguson:

I would thank for the Minister for this and I can assure him that I will be in touch with the former Deputy of St. Ouen to make sure that Jersey Heritage accept the loan.

Senator A.J.H. Maclean:

I would just also add that I have a copy of the said cheque here and I thought I would give it as a gift to the Senator [**Laughter**] and I would just hand it over. I know that is not strictly speaking within Standing Orders but nevertheless I am sure you will forgive me.

The Bailiff:

Just do not sign it, Minister.

Senator A.J.H. Maclean:

I should state it is a copy, not the original.