## STATEMENT TO BE MADE BY THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE

#### ON TUESDAY 15th MARCH 2011

### **Assistant Minister Education, Sport & Culture**

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As one of the youngest States members, Deputy Vallois has shown herself to be a hardworking, trustworthy, conscientious and compassionate States member who is more than able to stand up for her beliefs.

The candidates each had a wide variety of experience so my decision was a difficult one, and I would like to thank those States Members who came forward.

Finally, I would like to take the opportunity to personally thank Deputy Green for his support over the last couple of years. He has proved to be a hard working and caring individual who I am sure will make an excellent Housing Minister and I look forward to working with him on the Council of Ministers.

# 5. The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture will make a statement regarding the appointment of one of his Assistant Ministers

## 5.1 The Deputy of St. Ouen (The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture):

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#### 5.1.1 Senator A. Breckon:

I wonder if the Minister can confirm that he has not got a clue on how to solve the traffic situation in St. Saviour and he is happy to delegate that to his new Assistant Minister? [Laughter]

#### The Bailiff:

I think that is a rhetorical question.

#### The Deputy of St. Ouen:

I think the Assistant Minister is up for the challenge.

#### The Bailiff:

No other questions? The Minister for Housing wishes to make a statement.

#### Deputy M. Tadier:

Sorry, I think there were.

## The Bailiff:

I am sorry, I did not see you there.

#### 5.1.2 Deputy M. Tadier:

Behind the mace, I think. Of course we extend our congratulations to Deputy Vallois. Can I ask in total how many candidates put themselves forward for the position?

## The Bailiff:

Minister?

#### The Deputy of St. Ouen:

Five.

#### The Bailiff:

Very well, Deputy, you are the Minister for Housing.