## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS AND FINANCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY S.Y. MÉZEC OF ST. HELIER SOUTH QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2022 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2022

## Question

"Will the Minister provide a full breakdown of the overseas visits he has attended this year since taking office, including the cost of each visit and the number of officers who accompanied him on each one?"

## Answer

Since 2017, following a review by the Chief Minister of the time, spending on travel costing more than £500 has been published regularly on the Government Open Data Source website, which is accessible here.

Figures for travel by the Minister of External Relations (MER) will be available in due course once all statements and invoices have been received for the visits since taking office in July 2022.

Where the Minister's official meetings are in London, he is joined by officers from the Jersey London Office so no flight or hotel costs are incurred for them. Similarly for engagements in France, which are organised by the Bureau des Isles Anglo Normandes (BIAN), and to Brussels, which are coordinated by the Channel Islands Brussels Office (CIBO). The meetings in France and Brussels were joint visits with Guernsey.

Title	Destination	Travel Start Date	Travel End Date	Officers
French Embassy - Bastille Day	London	14/7/2022	14/7/2022	JLO
Jersey Finance Parliamentary Reception	London	20/7/2022	21/7/2022	JLO
Commonwealth Games	Birmingham	27/7/2022	29/7/2022	JLO
Diplomatic introductory meetings	London	21/8/2022	23/8/2022	JLO
Diplomatic introductory meetings	London	7/9/2022	12/9/2022	JLO
Jersey London Office & meeting with new LG	London	16/9/2022	20/9/2022	JLO
Labour Party Conference	Liverpool	24/9/2022	28/9/2922	JLO
Conservative Party Conference	Birmingham	1/10/2022	5/10/2022	JLO
IMF/World Bank	Washington DC	10/10/2022	17/10/2022	2
Joint CI, Normandy, Brittany summit & Paris	France	17/10/2022	21/10/2022	BIAN +3
CI Brussels Office - EU Parliament	Brussels	7/11/2022	9/11/2022	CIBO +1