

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE HOME AFFAIRS COMMITTEE BY DEPUTY  
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**ANSWERS TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 6th JULY 2004**

**Question**

Would the President outline progress to date –

- (a) on the recommendations that arose from the Report of Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons 2001. To what extent is the implementation of these recommendations on target?
- (b) on the implementation of the Young Offenders Institution rules and Prison rules identifying the proposed timetable for implementation?

**Answer**

- (a) Her Majesty's Chief Inspector of Prisons made 147 recommendations in the 2001 inspection report. When the previous Prison Governor left his post at the end of May, he had addressed 122 of the recommendations although action on some is ongoing. There are a further 10 recommendations that are specific to the Women's Wing; these have been addressed in the new Women's Wing, construction of which will commence in 2005. The Home Affairs Committee is therefore satisfied with the progress that has been made on implementing the Inspection Report recommendations. The new Prison Governor takes up his post on the 2nd August 2004. The Committee will be asking him to audit the implementation plan at an early stage and provide a revised implementation plan for those actions that are either ongoing or outstanding.
- (b) Implementation of the Young Offenders' Institution Rules and Prison Rules has been delayed pending the receipt of advice from H.M. Attorney General on the question of whether to appoint an Adjudicator to replace the Prison Board of Visitors to adjudicate on matters concerning the discipline of prisoners, in particular where the loss of remission is concerned. Once this issue has been resolved, the Rules can be brought into effect.