

STATES OF JERSEY



JERSEY OVERSEAS AID COMMISSION: APPOINTMENT OF NON-STATES COMMISSIONER

**Lodged au Greffe on 20th December 2010
by Deputy I.J. Gorst of St. Clement**

STATES GREFFE

PROPOSITION

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –

to appoint, in accordance with clause 7.4 of the Constitution of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission as set out in Schedule 1 to the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission (Jersey) Law 2005, Mr. Geoffrey George Crill as a non-States Commissioner for a period of 3 years.

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REPORT

The Jersey Overseas Aid Commission (Jersey) Law 2005 requires the Chairman, in making nominations, to use his or her best endeavours *“to ensure that the Commissioners shall be a diverse and balanced group of people in terms of gender, age, experience and skills, who share a commitment to the promotion of the objects of the Commission”*. In meeting that statutory requirement, non-States Commissioners with a range of backgrounds and professional qualifications were appointed when the Commission was first established.

The present States Commissioners are, in addition to myself as Chairman, Senator P.F. Routier and Deputy C.F. Labey of Grouville; and non-States Commissioners Messrs. G.G. Crill and P.D. Le Seilleur and Mrs. T. Roberts. Mr. Crill’s current 3 year term of office expires on 28th January 2011.

Mr. Crill was born in Jersey in 1950, and qualified as a solicitor of the Royal Court in 1977. He was a partner of Crill Cubitt Sowden and Tomes (latterly Crills) and co-founded the firm of Crill Canavan in 1992. He was senior partner of that firm until his retirement at the end of 2009, but remains a consultant to the firm. He holds non-executive directorships in a local trust company and a private property company. Mr. Crill was Chairman of the Parents’ Action Group for Education from 1995 to 1996, and a trustee of Jersey Heritage Trust from 2004 to 2010. He was a member of the Panel appointed by the States and headed by Lord Robert Carswell which recently reported on the role of the Bailiff and of the Law Officers. He has been a member of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission since 2008. Mr. Crill has had personal involvement with charitable work in India, Sudan and Mali.

Financial and manpower implications

There are no financial or manpower implications for the States arising from this proposition.