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## PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(6th Meeting)

## 20th February 2015

(Business conducted via electronic mail)

## PART A

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier, from whom apologies had been received.

Connétable L. Norman of St. Clement, Chairman Senator P.F.C. Ozouf (not present for item No. A1)
Connétable D.W. Mezbourian of St. Lawrence (not present for item No. A1)
Connétable J.E. Le Maistre of Grouville
Connétable C.H. Taylor of St. John
Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier

In attendance -

M.N. de la Haye O.B.E., Greffier of the States L.M. Hart, Deputy Greffier of the States T. McMinigal, Clerk to the Privileges and Procedures Committee

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only.

Access to the States Building. 1240/9/1(137)

A1. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. A4 of 10th February 2015, considered a set of draft amendments to the 'Conditions of use for Members' areas and facilities within the States Building'.

The Committee recalled that at its meeting on 20th November 2014, it had agreed in principle, that the rules of access should be relaxed to allow outside groups to use certain rooms in the States Building, providing they did so under the auspices of an elected Member.

It was further recalled that at its meeting on 10th February 2015, the Committee had considered a draft amendment to the States Building's rules of access which sought to enact the above decision. The Committee had approved all which had been included but had requested that an additional clause be added to the amendment, to state that 'the States Building must not be used by Members or outside groups for any activities related to the planning, organisation or execution of an election campaign.'

The Committee approved a revised draft amendment which included the above clause. The Committee Clerk undertook to liaise with the Publications Editor, States Greffe, to prepare a report to be presented to the States Assembly informing Members of the changes to the States Building's rules of access.

States Members' A2. The Committee considered a report, dated 20th November 2014, which had been prepared by the Greffier of the States and which was entitled: 'States

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Remuneration Review Body: appointment of members. 1240/3(73) Members Remuneration Review Body (SMRRB)'.

The Committee recalled that the term of office of 2 members of the SMRRB, Mr. J. Rogers and Mr B. Bullock, had come to an end and that steps had been taken to recruit new members. As the Panel had operated with 4 members and one vacancy since 2012, the Committee had agreed to seek to recruit 3 additional members to the SMRRB. The Committee had accordingly requested the Greffier of the States to draft an advertisement inviting applications for the posts, with subsequent candidate recommendations to be considered by the Committee prior to final approval.

The Greffier of the States reported that the vacancies had been advertised both in the Jersey Evening Post and on the Bailiwick Express website, and that a total of 9 applications had been received. A selection panel chaired by the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee and comprising the 2 remaining SMRRB members, Mr. M. Dubras and Mr. J. Mills, CBE had interviewed candidates. The Greffier of the States had been present throughout the interview process, charged with the responsibility for recording the panel's deliberations.

At the conclusion of the interview process, the selection panel agreed that Mr. I. Black, Mr. G. White and Mrs. L. Read most closely met the selection criteria and were all suitable to be appointed. The Greffier requested that final approval of the chosen candidates be given by the Committee, in order that the appointment process might be advanced. It was noted that the Terms of Reference of the SMRRB stated that the Committee had to give 15 days' notice of its intention to make appointments by presenting a report to the States Assembly.

The Committee approved the appointment of Messrs. Black and White and Mrs. L. Read to the SMRRB. The Greffier of the States undertook to liaise with the Publications Editor, States Greffe, to prepare a report to be presented to the States Assembly informing Members of the appointments to the SMRRB.