

**QUESTION TO BE ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY, 22nd JULY 2003 BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. JOHN**

**Question**

Is the President aware of the negotiations taking place between the UK Government and the States of Guernsey regarding the proposed 12 mile fishing licence scheme being proposed by the Guernsey authorities, and which may penalise Jersey fishermen as the scheme will require a licence to fish in that area where currently a licence to fish is not required, and if so, would he give details of those involved in the negotiations?

**Answer**

I am aware that Guernsey have kept the UK authorities informed of their intentions with regard to their planned licensing scheme in the waters around Guernsey while negotiating a Guernsey–UK Management Agreement. Those currently involved in negotiations with Guernsey are –

Deputy F.G. Voisin  
Deputy M.A. Taylor  
HM Attorney General W Bailhache QC  
R.W. Whitehead, Senior Legal Adviser  
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M. Smith, Senior Fisheries Inspector.