

**4.9 The Deputy of St. John of the Chief Minister regarding the appointment of a candidate to chair the Committee of Inquiry into Reg's Skips Limited:**

Given that, following the States approval of P.50/2009, the Chief Minister advised the Assembly on 13th July 2009 that his department were seeking to appoint a candidate to chair the Committee of Inquiry into Reg's Skips Limited and he would lodge a proposition before the end of the summer recess for debate in September, would he outline the reasons for the delay in taking this matter forward?

**Senator T.A. Le Sueur (The Chief Minister):**

I refer to my answer to the Deputy's question on 13th July in which I indicated that an advertisement should be placed later that month for a potential chairman. The advertisement should have been placed in the *Jersey Evening Post* and *Gazette* on 16th July but, unfortunately, due to a clerical error, the advertisement was delayed for 2 weeks and did not appear until 30th July. A number of people have put themselves forward for this Committee of Inquiry and, having reviewed all the applications, I decided it was necessary to know whether they had any previous involvement with the Planning Department and, if so, the extent of that involvement. I did not want any conflicts of interest. So the interviews for chairman and members of the committee took place during the week before last and I approved a draft proposition to put to the States last week. I am just waiting for the contents of that proposition to be approved by the people being nominated in respect of their biography and I hope to lodge that proposition either today or tomorrow for debate as soon as possible.

**The Deputy of St. John:**

I thank the Minister for his reply.