

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. MARY
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 22nd JUNE 2010**

Question

“Can the Minister confirm that the Interim Report of the Metropolitan Police which was received on 10th November 2008 was used in the original suspension of the Chief Officer of the States of Jersey Police by his predecessor, former Deputy Andrew Lewis?”

Answer

I can confirm that reference to the said Interim Report was made in the letter dated 10th November 2008 of the now Acting Chief Officer of Police to the Chief Executive to the Council of Ministers. In a section of that letter the Acting Chief Officer of Police accurately set out many of the concerns which had been raised by the Metropolitan Police in relation to the way in which the Historical Abuse Enquiry had been conducted with regard to Haut de la Garenne.

That letter was forwarded to the then Minister for Home Affairs as an attachment to a letter dated 11th November 2008 from the said Chief Executive to the said Minister and that letter made comments in relation to “the Metropolitan Police report”. Both letters were considered by the said Minister in relation to the original suspension of the Chief Officer of Police but the Minister for Home Affairs did not see the said Interim Report.