

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2012**

Question

Following the Chief Minister's statement on 10th July 2012 that he and the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee were "in the process of writing to the former Comptroller and Auditor General and to the former Interim Treasurer for further clarification of issues", would he update members as to the progress to date and agree to make available to members the details of that clarification?

In his e-mail circulated to all States members on 25th June 2012, the former Interim Treasurer stated "I'm informed that sections from your report are being quoted for political purposes" can the Chief Minister now tell us as a result of his research by whom the Interim Treasurer was 'informed' - and when - or, if not, will he find the answer and communicate it to members?

Answer

A joint letter from the Chief Minister and the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) has been sent to the former Comptroller and Auditor General and the former Interim Treasurer requesting further information and clarification on the issues raised. As soon as both responses are received I shall arrange to review them with the Chair of PAC, and a position will then be taken and communicated to States Members.

I am advised that the Minister for Treasury and Resources contacted the former Interim Treasurer on 13th June 2012 to clarify the accuracy of aspects of the former Comptroller and Auditor General's report attributed to the former Interim Treasurer, which would seem to be a reasonable course of action given concerns regarding the Report's accuracy.