

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 5th MARCH 2013**

Question

Would the Chief Minister advise members what steps, if any, have been taken to secure public networks in Jersey from state sponsored or malicious cyber terrorism?

Answer

States of Jersey takes the threat from cyber-attacks as a serious issue and recognises that the States of Jersey may be an attractive target for either a denial of service attack, data theft, website defacement, spamming, or other types of cyber-attacks.

I am sure members will understand that not all security measures can be made public.

Information Services works with specialist security companies to monitor the security market trends. Investment is made into security technology to ensure the appropriate level of protection is in place to prevent such attacks. The security implemented must be balanced against ease of reasonable access for authorised users.