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4.9 Deputy M.R. Higgins of the Chief Minister regarding documents requested by the Independent Jersey Care Inquiry:

Will the Chief Minister advise Members how many documents requested by the Independent Jersey Care Inquiry from the States of Jersey are still outstanding and explain the periods they have been outstanding and the reasons why?

Senator I.J. Gorst (The Chief Minister):

The disclosure exercise has required a vast array of physical and electronic documents to be reviewed and disclosed. In October 2015 alone 71,244 electronic documents were disclosed. The inquiry continues to make requests for documents up to the present day. As at 30th November, which was yesterday, all documents requested will have been disclosed by all departments by 4th December, which is the end of this week, with the exception of newly received requests and documents potentially requiring the consent of the Royal Court for disclosure. The inquiry is likely to continue to make further requests as it continues to hear witness testimony.

Deputy M.R. Higgins:

I thank the Chief Minister for his answer.