

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EXTERNAL RELATIONS
BY THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. BRELADE
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2021
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2021**

Question

Will the Minister advise whether he plans to have direct meetings with political representatives for Normandy and Brittany in order to arrive at an agreement that will ensure Jersey can manage its marine resource as laid out in the UK-EU Trade and Economic Cooperation Agreement (T.E.C.A.) agreement, and if so, when?

Answer

On Monday 6th September, I attended an online meeting with the President of the Normandy Region and the President of La Manche to discuss progress on the implementation of the fisheries aspects of the UK-EU Trade and Co-operation Agreement (TCA) so far as they apply to Jersey and Normandy.

The Connétable will be aware that Jersey hosted the annual Channel Islands-Normandy political summit on Friday 24th September. The summit was attended by the President of the Normandy Region, the President of La Manche and the Préfet of La Manche and included important and constructive discussions on the further progress made in meeting the fisheries aspects of the TCA. The statement issued following the summit can be read [here](#).

In addition, discussions at a technical level take place on a very regular basis.

I held an online meeting with the President of Brittany on 14 January. Officials in the Bureau Des Îles Anglo-Normandes have since sought to regularly engage with colleagues in Brittany. Further discussions at political and technical level have been offered and I am scheduled to attend a further meeting with the President of Brittany on 29 September.