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Introduction

1. For some years, it has been the practice of the States of Jersey to publish an Annual Performance Report.
2. In 2010, it was agreed that arrangements for the continued publication of that report would change. The outcome was that I agreed that, with effect from the report for 2010, I would take on responsibility for its publication.

2010 report

3. With this report, I am publishing today the 2010 Annual Performance Report.
4. Its format is somewhat changed from previous reports. In particular:
 - (1) comparison with the objectives of the Strategic Plan has been omitted.
 - (2) all commentary on reported performance has been omitted.
5. In each case, the change has been made so that the Annual Performance Report is restricted to reporting verifiable data as opposed to opinion. I understand that the States will be publishing separately their explanations for notable variations in performance as shown by the report.
6. In addition to these changes, the report will be augmented by the provision on my website of outline information concerning the definition and derivation of the information included in the report. This is intended to support readers' comprehension of the data.

Reliability of the data

7. To ensure that it is appropriate for me to publish the report, I commissioned an independent review of the systems created to collect and prepare the data published in the Annual Performance Report and of the application of those systems in preparing the attached report. This review was not designed to confirm the absolute reliability of every statistic included in the report. Rather, the purpose of the review was to provide

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reasonable assurance that the published information is fit for purpose and, in particular, is not materially mis-stated.

8. As a result, I am able to confirm the review suggested that there were grounds for reasonable assurance that the published information is fit for purpose and, in particular, is not materially mis-stated.