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Dear Connétable Shenton-Stone

One Gov Consultation Documents

I refer to the recent meeting that I attended to discuss the release of documents regarding Target Operating Model consultations.

As an HR professional, I was most grateful for the opportunity to discuss what I professionally consider to be important and delicately balanced issues.

After careful reflection, I propose that the Office of the Chief Executive releases the nine source documents relating to the 90 day consultation (with minor redaction in respect of personal identifiers) because whilst these were considered by the Chief Executive Officer they were not summarised within the precis report (a copy of which you have). Disclosure would be subject to maintaining the confidentiality of the content of these source documents and the report, in accordance with the terms of the Code of Practice.

We are not proposing to release the circa 120 source emails, the content of which has been captured in the report.

We hope that this strikes the appropriate balance between respecting the privacy rights of the individuals in question and the "relevant or necessary" test as set out in Regulation 5(1)(c) of the States of Jersey (Powers, Privileges and Immunities)(Scrutiny Panels, PAC and PPC)(Jersey) Regulations 2006 ("the 2006 Regulations").

I anticipate that disclosure in relation to future similar consultations could be dealt with on a similar basis so long as a balanced summary of any consultation responses has been produced and is available for disclosure.

I would be grateful if you might deliberate further on the above proposed course of action and indicate the Panel's views at your convenience. I hope the above provides a workable and pragmatic solution and avoids any need for the issue of a summons (and any potential challenge that may arise pursuant to Regulation 5(1)(c) of the 2006 Regulations).

I am, of course, pleased to attend or assist the Panel at your convenience.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. McGeachie', written in a cursive style.

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