

**THE STATES OF DELIBERATION  
of the  
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

11<sup>th</sup> December, 2019

**Proposition No. P.2019/133**

**SURSIS MOTIVÉ**

Proposed by: Deputy D A Tindall

Seconded by: Deputy J S Merrett

To sursis the Proposition until after the Committee *for* Home Affairs has

- undertaken an analysis of the threats to and vulnerabilities of the Bailiwick
- undertaken an analysis of the implications of the proposed security policy for the liberty and human rights of residents of the Bailiwick
- considered other regional, national or international security strategies and policies (including policy frameworks)
- considered the role of effective social policy in creating a safe and stable society, and mitigating risks to Bailiwick security
- identified the Bailiwick Law Enforcement's business objectives and priorities

and has returned to the Assembly (which it is directed to do before the end of this political term) with the Committee's recommendation for a co-ordinated and coherent overarching security strategy that sets out the policy framework which governs decision making on security in the Bailiwick including setting out core security values and principles.

**Rule (4) 3**

It is believed that there are no additional costs associated with the Proposition as set out in this Sursis Motivé and confirmation is being sought from the Committee *for* Home Affairs.

**Explanatory note**

A national security strategy's basic purpose is to provide guidance on managing the risks associated with future challenges, thereby assuring the enduring security of the nation over the long term in the face of both general uncertainty and well-defined threats. The proposer and seconder considers that such a strategy is required for the Bailiwick.

The proposer and seconder considers the document entitled “Bailiwick Security Policy” to be neither a strategy nor a policy nor does it fulfil the stated aim of the Committee *for* Home Affairs as indicated in the update to the P&R Plan in 2019 or that articulated by the President in her Committee’s media release which said:

“It lays out, underpins and directs decision making on security in this jurisdiction - setting out our core security values and principles.”

In the Future Guernsey – Priority Policy Area update (June 2019): Appendix 1(h) Security and Cyber Security it stated:

“The Committee *for* Home Affairs is working with Bailiwick Law Enforcement to publish a strategic plan that sets out Bailiwick Law Enforcement’s business objectives and priorities which Bailiwick Law Enforcement will use to inform a revised service delivery plan. This will also serve as a high level statement from the Bailiwick of our jurisdiction’s commitment to keep islanders, visitors and businesses safe and secure.”

The Policy nor the Policy Letter contains a strategic plan or the Bailiwick Law Enforcement’s business objectives and priorities.

Whilst it is not believed the document needs to be of great length, it needs to articulate these elements succinctly so that the States understand the threats and vulnerabilities of the Bailiwick and the way in which the Committee *for* Home Affairs intends to protect the community against them.

The Policy Letter entitled “Telecommunications Supply Chain Security Framework” states that the Framework is a sub-set of the overarching Bailiwick Security Strategy and the Bailiwick Security Policy states that “the Committee will seek to set standards on cyber security and telecommunications supply chain security”. The proposer and seconder do not foresee an issue if the States agrees to this *sursis* yet wishes to endorse the Telecommunications Supply Chain Security Framework as, for example, the Cyber Security Strategy has already been approved by the Committee and contains the objective to “handle issues relating to telecoms supply chain security.”