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Request for information:

The Guernsey Press and Jersey Evening Post have both run stories today about the role of director of civil aviation.

https://guernseypress.com/news/2020/10/28/states-keeps-tight-lipped-over-director-of-civil-aviation-role/

https://jerseyeveningpost.com/news/2020/10/28/have-the-islands-gone-their-separate-ways-on-civil-aviation-role/

This is an important role, and one which has been in the public eye previously when it comes to aviation safety and guidance.

Given the amount of speculation, I think it is right to put-to-bed the uncertainty around where the responsibilities for the Channel Islands' civil aviation now lie.

I have, since August, been asking the States for answers to some important questions.

Is Dominic Lazarus still the director of civil aviation for the Channel Islands?

Jersey's government confirmed that Mr Lazarus held the post of director of civil aviation for Jersey, but declined to comment on the role related to Guernsey.

Whose responsibility is civil aviation matters in Guernsey?

If he in fact did, when did Mr Lazarus leave the role in Guernsey? And why?

Is there to be a recruitment process for a new director of civil aviation for Guernsey?

Response:

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Whose responsibility is civil aviation matters in Guernsey? The Director of Civil Aviation is a statutory official, appointed by the States, who reports to the Committee for Economic Development. The DCA's responsibilities can be delegated to a designate if needed.

If he in fact did, when did Mr Lazarus leave the role in Guernsey? And why? N/A

Is there to be a recruitment process for a new director of civil aviation for Guernsey? N/A