

BILLET D'ÉTAT

THURSDAY, 1st MAY, 2008

ELECTION OF A CHIEF MINISTER

IV 2008

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TO THE MEMBERS OF THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

I have the honour to inform you that a Meeting of the States of Deliberation will be held at **THE ROYAL COURT HOUSE**, **on THURSDAY**, **the 1**st **MAY**, **2008**, immediately after the sitting of the Royal Court, to consider the item contained in this Billet d'État. States Members are requested to be seated in the well of the Royal Court Chamber by 10.00am for the sitting of the Royal Court, which will start at that time or as soon as reasonably possible thereafter.

G. R. ROWLAND Bailiff and Presiding Officer

The Royal Court House Guernsey 18 April 2008

The oath of office and the oath of allegiance will be administered to all Members of the States (other than the Alderney Representatives) at the sitting of the Royal Court.

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The States are asked:-

To elect a sitting Member of the States as Chief Minister to serve until May 2012 in accordance with Rule 7 of the Constitution and Operation of States Departments and Committees.

- (NB Paragraphs (2A) and (3) of Rule 20 of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation provide:-
 - "(2A) Any Member of the States shall be eligible to hold the Office of Chief Minister provided that he shall have held the office of People's Deputy or Douzaine Representative for a period of not less than four years in the eight years immediately preceding the date set for the election of a Chief Minister.
 - (3) On a proposition to elect a Chief Minister:
 - (a) nominations shall not be accepted unless they have been notified in writing to the Presiding Officer, during such period prior to the election as shall be determined and published by the House Committee, in accordance with this paragraph;
 - (b) any such notification between the date of the General Election of People's Deputies and the 1st May next following may only be given by a person elected (or re-elected) in that General Election or by one of the Alderney Representatives in the States of Deliberation;
 - (c) the Presiding Officer shall cause each such notification to be posted in the Royal Court House as soon as possible after its receipt;
 - (d) at the election meeting, the Presiding Officer shall, whether or not there is more than one candidate, invite the proposer(s) and candidate(s) to speak for not more than 5 minutes each before voting takes place; and no Member other than a proposer or candidate shall be entitled to speak."

Pursuant to Rule 20 (3) (a) the House Committee has determined that nominations for the office of Chief Minister may be accepted during the period commencing at 9.00am on Thursday 24 April, 2008 and ending at 4.00pm on Tuesday 29 April, 2008.

Nomination Forms can be obtained from the Bailiff's Office.)

IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY ON THE 1st DAY OF MAY, 2008

The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No IV dated 18th April 2008

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To elect Deputy L S Trott as Chief Minister to serve until May 2012 in accordance with Rule 7 of the Constitution and Operation of States Departments and Committees.

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