IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

ON THE 31ST DAY OF JULY, 2003

The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'Etat No. XVI dated 4th July, 2003

Meeting adjourned from 30th July, 2003

PROJET DE LOI

entitled

THE DOG LICENCES (GUERNSEY) (AMENDMENT) LAW, 2003

I. To approve the Projet de Loi entitled "The Dog Licences (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003", and to authorise the Bailiff to present a most humble Petition to Her Majesty in Council praying for Her Royal Sanction thereto.

PROJET DE LOI

entitled

THE SOCIAL INSURANCE (GUERNSEY) (AMENDMENT) LAW, 2003

II. To approve the Projet de Loi entitled "The Social Insurance (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003" and to authorise the Bailiff to present a most humble Petition to Her Majesty in Council praying for Her Royal Sanction thereto.

PROJET DE LOI

entitled

THE REGULATION OF INVESTIGATORY POWERS (BAILIWICK OF GUERNSEY) LAW, 2003

III. To grant leave to the President of the States Advisory and Finance Committee to withdraw this Article.

PROJET DE LOI

entitled

THE INCOME TAX (GUERNSEY) (AMENDMENT) LAW, 2003

- IV. (1) To approve the Projet de Loi entitled "The Income Tax (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003", and to authorise the Bailiff to present a most humble Petition to Her Majesty in Council praying for Her Royal Sanction thereto;
 - (2) considering it expedient in the public interest so to do, to declare pursuant to section 1 of the Taxes and Duties (Provisional Effect) (Guernsey) Law, 1992, that the said Projet de Loi shall take effect on and after the 1st January, 2004 as if it were a Law sanctioned by Her Majesty in Council and registered on the records of the Island of Guernsey.

PROJET DE LOI

entitled

THE DWELLINGS PROFITS TAX (GUERNSEY) (AMENDMENT) LAW, 2003

V. To approve the Projet de Loi entitled "The Dwellings Profits Tax (Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2003", and to authorise the Bailiff to present a most humble Petition to Her Majesty in Council praying for Her Royal Sanction thereto.

THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES (BAILIWICK OF GUERNSEY) (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2003

VI. To approve the draft Ordinance entitled "The European Communities (Bailiwick of Guernsey) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2003" and to direct that the same shall have effect as an Ordinance of the States.

STATES ADVISORY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

REVIEW OF THE PAROLE REVIEW COMMITTEE (GUERNSEY) LAW, 1989 AND THE PAROLE REVIEW COMMITTEE ORDINANCE, 1991 AS AMENDED

- VII. After consideration of the Report dated the 9th June, 2003, of the States Advisory and Finance Committee:-
 - 1. That the Parole Review Committee Ordinance, 1991, as amended, shall be further amended as follows:-
 - (a) to allow a copy of the parole dossier to be made available to the prisoner, prior to the prisoner making his own submissions to the Parole Review Committee;
 - (b) to permit the Parole Review Committee to give reasons for its decisions in all cases.

- (c) to allow for an automatic review of an application for parole after 12 months or 6 months prior to the earliest release date, whichever is the sooner, and to permit early or special reviews in exceptional circumstances;
- (d) to foreshorten the period for ratification or otherwise of recall orders made by Her Majesty's Procureur from seven days to 96 hours;
- (e) to allow a prisoner when applying for parole to receive legal advice and assistance in preparing his submission to the Parole Review Committee;
- (f) to allow a prisoner who has had his parole licence revoked and is recalled to prison to receive legal advice and assistance in preparing and presenting his appeal to the Parole Review Committee;
- (g) to introduce a system for advertising for persons to serve on the Parole Review Committee;
- (h) to set a retirement age of seventy years for the Chairman and members of the Parole Review Committee, unless otherwise extended, and in any case they shall retire on reaching their seventy fifth birthday;
- (i) to set a maximum term of office for members of 12 years, except where a person is appointed as Chairman from amongst the ordinary members, in which case his appointment shall be limited to 16 years.
- 2. To direct the preparation of such legislation as may be necessary to give effect to their above decision.

STATES ADVISORY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

PROGRESS REPORT IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A STATES EGOVERNMENT STRATEGY

VIII. After consideration of the Report dated 19th June, 2003, of the States Advisory and Finance Committee:-

To agree the proposals set out in the eGovernment Steering Group Report,

- (i) subject to the modification that the assessment mechanism proposed at paragraph 6.10.1. of that Report shall aim to ensure that proposals presented to the States are as eGovernment friendly as reasonably practicable, always bearing in mind that the proposals' fitness for their purpose must take precedence over such considerations; and
- (ii) subject to the clarification that the option will be maintained for citizens to communicate and carry out transactions with the States by non-electronic means and without having to quote their "unique identifiers" proposed in paragraph 6.10.4 of that Report.