REPLY BY THE MINISTER OF THE TREASURY AND RESOURCES DEPARTMENT TO QUESTIONS ASKED PURSUANT TO RULE 6 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE BY DEPUTY MARY LOWE

Question 1

Have any external or internal post go-live reports been produced from your Department / Board / Policy Council since SAP went live?

Answer

Yes

Question 2

If so how many?

Answer

One written external report and one written internal report. In addition, the Board receives regular verbal reports at its meetings.

Question 3

Would you provide a copy of the latest internal report?

Answer

Given the nature and contents of this particular report, the Treasury and Resources Department believes it is inappropriate to provide a copy. In considering this, the Board took into account the possibility that if all internal reports were prepared on the basis that sooner or later they would be disclosed to the public, those reports would be unnecessarily sterile and constrained because the authors may be reluctant to express opinions and ideas or make suggestions which could be of real value to the Department or Committee in decision making; for fear that when published, out of context, their contribution may be misinterpreted or misunderstood. Such an approach would undermine good governance. This report was prepared solely for internal project management purposes. Additionally, the media asked for this report and the Board has not released it.

Question 4

Would you provide a copy of the latest external report?

Answer

Yes, and this has already been provided to all States Members. It is the PMO review Operations and Benefits Realisation report.

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