

MINUTES
7th MEETING OF 2013
THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION
13 NOVEMBER, 2013
CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner of Police David Baines	Chairman
Sir Peter Allen	Member
Leonard Ebanks	Member
Auditor General Alastair Swarbrick	Member
Complaints Commissioner Nicola Williams	Member

APOLOGIES: N/A

ANTI-CORRUPTION UNIT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Oliver	Detective Inspector
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SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deborah Bodden	Manager
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1. **Meeting called to order**

The meeting was called to order at 2:03pm.

2. **Confirmation of previous minutes**

The minutes of the 10 September, 2013 meeting were confirmed.

3. **New Business**

a. Briefings for Members of Statutory Authority Boards

The Chairman was asked to facilitate a presentation to members of the Cayman Islands Airports Authority, Health Services Authority, National Roads Authority and the Port Authority. The presentation included a briefing on the powers, functions and duties of the ACC; as well as discussions surrounding issues such as what is corruption, register of interests, conflict of interests, personal standards, transparency, elements of good governance and financial reporting. Due to the number of board members the Chairman will facilitate a similar presentation on 10 December, 2013.

b. Legal Counsel

The Commission has been advised that effective 1 December, 2013 the new legal counsel for the ACC will be the Deputy DPP Trevor Ward. Members of the ACU will arrange to meet with Mr. Ward to discuss outstanding requests for legal advice.

c. 2013/2014 Budget

For the first time the ACC has been given a budget for the 13/14 financial year. This money has been allocated to allow the Secretariat to hire dedicated investigators for the ACU but only for a shortened period of the budget year. The Chairman, Manager and D/I Oliver will meet to discuss recruitment related issues.

4. **Operational Update**

The Commission received an update from the Commissioner and D/I Oliver on the 20 ongoing investigations being conducted by the ACC Unit. The purpose of these updates is to provide the members with insight into the types of cases being handled by the ACC Unit and as a result the levels of workload they are experiencing and the resources necessary to handle such workloads. Specific details such as names, locations, dates, etc. are included in a separate schedule due to security issues. Information shared with members is done so to ensure they are able to fully act in their capacity as an oversight body.

The Commission was informed that since inception (1st Jan. 2010) there have been 91 complaints registered by the ACC (9 of which have been received within the current reporting period 1 July, 2013 – 30 June, 2014), of which:

- a. 11 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- b. 50 have been concluded;
- c. 10 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- d. 20 are under current active investigation.

It is noted that the Auditor General recused himself and stepped out of the room during a discussion of an update on the case which relates to his position.

5. **Report by the Auditor General**

The Auditor General provided a briefing of the concerns he is experiencing and investigating which relate to the Anti-Corruption Commission. It is noted that his office works closely with the Anti-Corruption Unit in some instances. Certain issues were identified as requiring further work and actions raised appropriately.

6. **Any Other Business**

Australian Public Sector Anti-Corruption Conference 2013

The Chairman and D/I Oliver will be representing the ACC at the ICAC Conference to be held in Australia 26-28 November, 2013. Their attendance has been funded jointly by the FCO and the Secretariat in an effort to ensure the ACC complies with its international obligations to train its members/investigators.

7. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for 17 December, 2013 at 10am.

8. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.



David Baines
CHAIRMAN
ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION