MINUTES 5th MEETING OF 2013 THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION 18 JUNE, 2013

CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Commissioner of Police David Baines

Sir Peter Allen

Leonard Ebanks

Auditor General Alastair Swarbrick

Complaints Commissioner Nicola Williams

Chairman

Member

Member

Member

APOLOGIES: N/A

ANTI-CORRUPTION UNIT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Oliver

Detective Inspector

SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deborah Bodden

Manager

Meeting called to order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05am.

2. Confirmation of previous minutes

The minutes of the 7 May, 2013 meeting was confirmed.

3. Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes Funding Opportunities

The Commission made a bid for funding which was successful and will assist in training several members of the Commission and Unit in order to not only increase competence and awareness internally but also allow for shared networking and compliance with the Commission's requirements under the UN Convention on Corruption and the OECD Convention on Bribery during the 2013/14 budget year.

4. New Business

a. Meeting with International Elections Observers

The Chairman met with the International Elections Observers prior to the May 2013 General Election and was asked to share the role of the Commission, the relationship with and support to the Elections Office, the advertisements and educational efforts made jointly leading up to the General Elections. The team conveyed their appreciation that such relationships and messages were necessary.

b. Presentation to Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly

The Chairman has been asked to give a presentation to the Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly on the remit of the Commission in addition to any information which is relevant for the new members to be aware of. The Chairman will await a date in which this presentation will take place.

Operational Update

The Commission received an update from the Commissioner and D/I Oliver on the 18 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 80 complaints registered by the ACC (15 of which have been received within the current reporting period 1 July, 2012 – 30 June, 2013), of which:

- a. 21 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- b. 34 have been concluded;
- c. 7 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- d. 18 are under current active investigation.

6. Report by the Auditor General

There were no new updates from the Auditor General.

7. Any Other Business

a. Request by the Complaints Commissioner

Member Nicola Williams informed the Commission that she is conducting an Own Motion Investigation into Whistleblowing. She requested that if anyone knew of any public officials (past or present) that had been negatively influenced due to their whistleblowing to please encourage them to make an appointment to speak with her. She indicated that the identity of all persons will be kept anonymous.

b. Lecture by Baroness Scotland

The UCCI is currently arranging a lecture to be delivered by Baroness Scotland in July regarding fraud and corruption. All members will be informed of the date, time and confirmed topic when it becomes available.

8. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

- a. Presentation to Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly
- b. Lecture by Baroness Scotland

9. Next Meeting

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for 6 August, 2013 at 10am.

10. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:52am.

David Baines CHAIRMAN

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