MINUTES

16th MEETING OF 2017

THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION 11 DECEMBER 2017

CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Richard Coles

Chairman

Kadi Pentney

Member

Timothy Ridley

Member

Kenrick Hall

Member

APOLOGIES:

Sophia Harris

Member

SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:

Deborah Bodden

Manager

Richard Oliver

Senior Investigator

1. Meeting called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 9:30am.

2. Welcome to New Member

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Hall to the Commission and, following introductions, provided Mr. Hall with a brief overview of the remit of the Commission as well as the agreed policies. Prior to the meeting Mr. Hall had signed a Confidentiality/Inclusion Agreement and met with both the Manager and Senior Investigator to be briefed on the work of the Commission.

3. Conflicts of Interest

No conflicts of interest were declared at this meeting by any Member.

4. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of 20 November 2017 were confirmed as presented.

5. Operational Update

a. New Corruption Reports/Complaints

The Commission received a summary of one new matter which has been received by the Manager. This was for information only and not a formal complaint at this stage as a separate Government entity is currently considering the matter internally.

b. Existing Corruption Reports/Complaints

The Commission received a written and a verbal update from the Senior Investigator on the 8 active investigations. For reasons of security, specific details such as names, locations, dates, etc. are included in a separate confidential schedule.

The Commission was informed that since inception (1st Jan. 2010) there have been 147 reports registered by the Commission, of which:

- a. 6 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- b. 122 have been concluded;
- c. 10 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- d. 9 are under current active investigation.

6. Outstanding Business

a. Meeting with the Deputy Governor

The Deputy Governor's Office has indicated that the New Year will be the first opportunity for the Manager and Senior Investigator to meet with the Deputy Governor and his Senior Management Team for further discussions related to the wider issues which affect both the civil service broadly and the work of the Commission directly. The Secretariat will be informed of the next available date by the Office of the Deputy Governor.

b. CFATF

The Chairman, Manager, and Senior Investigator met with the CFATF Assessment Team on 5 December at 2pm. Members were provided with a briefing of the meeting.

7. Any Other Business

a. Report/Complaint Procedure

The finalised procedure was uploaded to the Commission's website and presented to the DPP.

b. MOU

Proposed draft MOU's with the Ombudsman and the Auditor General are being considered separately by each office. As agreed, the Senior Investigator explored a possible MOU with the Director of Prisons who is taking legal advice on the request.

c. Non-Profit Organisation Risk Assessment Exercise

The Commission provided the requested information to the Registrar General as agreed.

d. ACL Amendment

Members discussed the need to compile a submission of possible amendments to the ACL and interim measures which could be adopted as procedural policies.

e. Vote of Appreciation

The Senior Investigator expressed his thanks, on behalf of the Investigative Team, to the Members of the Commission for their support throughout the year.

f. Report of the Auditor General

The Chairman and Manager met (on 3 November) with members of the Office of the Auditor General (the "OAG") as requested, in order to answer questions related to the remit and powers of the Commission. These questions were posed, and answered, in order to assist with the performance audit the OAG is undertaking entitled 'Fighting Corruption in the Cayman Islands'.

8. Action Items

The Secretariat will assist with the drafting of any policies to act as interim measures in advance of changes to the ACL.

9. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting

- a. Operational Update
- b. ACC Policies

10. Next Meeting

The date of the next meeting is 23 January 2018.

11. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:56pm.

Richard Coles

CHAIRMAN

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