

**MINUTES**  
**10<sup>th</sup> MEETING OF 2017**  
**THE ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION**  
**21 AUGUST 2017**  
**CONFERENCE ROOM, COMMISSIONS SECRETARIAT**

**COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Richard Coles	Chairman
Sophia Harris	Member
Kadi Pentney	Member
Timothy Ridley	Member

**APOLOGIES:** N/A

**SECRETARIAT MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Deborah Bodden	Manager
Richard Oliver	Senior Investigator

**1. Meeting called to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:45am following an informal meet and greet with the new members of staff and to say goodbye to Investigator Thomas Parker who is returning to the UK.

**2. Conflicts of Interest**

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

**3. Membership**

It is noted that Member W. Norman Bodden resigned from the Commission effective 10 July 2017 for personal reasons. The Members wished to record their thanks and appreciation for his long service, dedication, and commitment to the work of the Commission. It is anticipated that the Governor will appoint a new member to the Commission in due course.

**4. Operational Update**

**a. New Corruption Reports**

No new corruption reports/complaints have been received since the last meeting. The Commission discussed the four reports/complaints outstanding and agreed to not accept two due to the failure to provide any prima facie evidence of corruption and to not accept

the other two due to the fact that the subject matters do not fall under the Anti-Corruption Law.

**b. Existing Corruption Reports**

The Commission received 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 (1<sup>st</sup> Jan. 2010) there have been 143 reports registered by the Commission, of which:

- a. 5 have been received and are being considered for evidence as to whether any of them disclose a potential offence under the Law and/or a related offence;
- b. 8 are 'pending' awaiting further or sufficient information which may make it appropriate to make further investigations;
- c. 112 have been concluded;
- d. 10 have been transferred to other investigative units for action; and
- e. 8 are under current active investigation.

**5. Outstanding Business**

**a. Complaint/Reporting Procedure**

The draft procedure continues to be considered. The Secretariat will assist to finalise a further draft.

**b. Media Policy**

The wording of the Media Policy was agreed and can now be uploaded to the Commission's website.

**c. 2016/17 Annual Report**

Members are in the final stages of providing comments on the draft report. The Secretariat will incorporate all requested changes and once finalised, draft correspondence from the Chairman to the Governor indicating that the Commission intends on publishing the report 14 days following its submission.

**d. Whistleblower Protection Law**

It was queried as to whether this legislation provides for reports/complaints of corruption to be directed towards the Commission in the first instance.

**e. Anti-Fraud Reporting Line**

The Commission has received a response from the Deputy Governor who indicated that such applicable complaints/reports of corruption would be directed to the Commission.

**6. New Business**

**a. Staffing**

The Manager is currently undertaking recruitment exercises to fill one Investigator post and also the Trainee Investigator post. It is hoped that these positions will be filled within the next few months.

**7. Any Other Business**

**a. Protective Gear**

The Chairman has now been informed that legislation must be changed in order to allow the Commission to order and utilise protective gear in the course of its duties.

**b. Meeting with the Auditor General**

The Chairman met with the Auditor General to discuss matters related to complaints, agreement of a possible MOU, and a recent article in the Cayman Compass reporting that an investigation was referred to the Commission by the former Auditor General.

**c. Orientation for the new MLA's**

The Cabinet Office had organised an orientation session for new Members of the Legislative Assembly however it was postponed due to time constraints.

**d. Legal Proceedings**

Members were briefed on a new legal matter which the Secretariat is working on with the Legal Department.

**8. Action Items**

The Secretariat will:-

- a. assist with the continued drafting of the Complaint/Reporting Procedure;
- b. upload the Media Plan to the website;
- c. finalise the Annual Report with Member's comments; and
- d. liaise with the Auditor General regarding an MOU.

**9. Items to be Discussed at the Next Meeting**

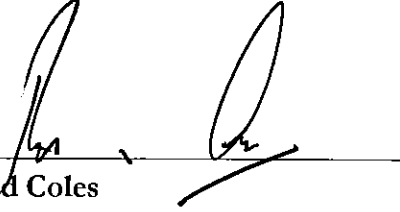
- a. Operational Update
- b. Protective Gear

**10. Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting is to be determined.

**11. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30pm

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**Richard Coles  
CHAIRMAN  
ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION**